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Sportsplex proposals defeated by Crawford County voters

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

After the 2,773 ballots that were cast during the Tuesday, Sept. 9 special election were counted, the results had the proposed Sportsplex being turned down by Crawford County voters.

Out of the 26.66 percent of the registered county voters who voted, a total of 1,420 votes (51.84 percent) were punched in the "no" slot and 1,319 votes (48.16 percent) were punched in the "yes" slot for the \$6 million bond proposition.

The .45 mills to help operate the proposed recreation facility also was defeated by county voters. There were a total of 1,439 (52.61 percent) residents who voted against the operating millage and 1,296 (47.39 percent) who voted in favor of the millage.

The \$6 million bond proposal would have paid for the construction and furnishing of the 92,000-square foot Sportsplex. The facility was to include an ice arena, a swimming and a wading pool, a walking-exercise track, a 200-seat conference room and an all-purpose gymnasium. The structure was planned to be built at the corner of Old-27 and M-93 at the Crawford County Fairgrounds.

The .45 millage over a period of 10 years would have helped to operate the facility. The millage would have raised approximately \$155,000 in the first year.

The "Citizens For the Crawford County Sportsplex" committee members, who worked to get the two proposals on the ballot and to spread the word about the Sportsplex, planned to meet on Monday, Sept. 15 to discuss the election results and their future plans concerning the Sportsplex.

The 101-vote difference in the bond issue and the 143-vote difference in the operating millage proposal are both relatively close election results. The number of precincts that voted in favor of the two Sportsplex proposals and the number that voted against the proposals also showed how close this election was.

There were a total of five precincts — Frederic, Lovells, Maple Forest, South Branch and Beaver Creek townships — that voted against the Sportsplex and five precincts — the four Grayling Township precincts and

the City of Grayling — that voted in favor of it.

There was a total of 222 South Branch Township residents who voted in the election. They cast 39 "yes" votes and 181 "no" votes on the bond proposal, and 39 "yes" votes and 180 "no" votes on the millage proposal.

There were 341 Beaver Creek Township residents who voted. They cast 103 "yes" votes and 235 "no" votes on the bond issue, and 99 "yes" votes and 239 "no" votes on the millage

"I thought it would be close. But I thought it would go the other way."

*-- Bud Morgan,
Citizens For the
Crawford County
Sportsplex Publicity
Director*

proposal.

Out of the 134 Lovells Township residents who voted, 42 ballots were cast in favor of the bond issue and 87 against. There were also 42 in favor of the millage and 87 against.

There were 96 Maple Forest Township residents who voted. They cast 33 "yes" votes and 62 "no" votes on the bond proposal, and 32 "yes" votes and 62 "no" votes on the millage proposal.

There was a total of 268 Frederic Township residents who voted. They cast 98 "yes" votes and 168 "no" votes on the bond issue, and 91 "yes" votes and 175 "no" votes on the millage proposal.

There were 1,373 Grayling Township residents who voted in the special election in one of four precincts. In Precinct 301 67 "yes" votes and 51 "no" votes were cast on the bond issue, and 65 "yes" votes and 52 "no" votes were cast on the millage proposal. The totals for Precinct 302 were: bond issue, 101 "yes" votes and 96 "no" votes; millage proposal, 100 "yes" votes and 97 "no" votes. The totals for Precinct 303 were: bond issue, 347

"yes" and 206 "no"; millage proposal, 341 "yes" and 210 "no". The Precinct 304 totals were: bond issue, 299-190; millage proposal, 293-194.

There were 339 City of Grayling residents who voted. They cast 190

"yes" votes and 144 "no" votes on the bond issue, and 194 "yes" votes and 143 "no" votes on the millage proposal.

"I am not surprised at the results," Eldridge said. "I think every member of the team (committee) gave a

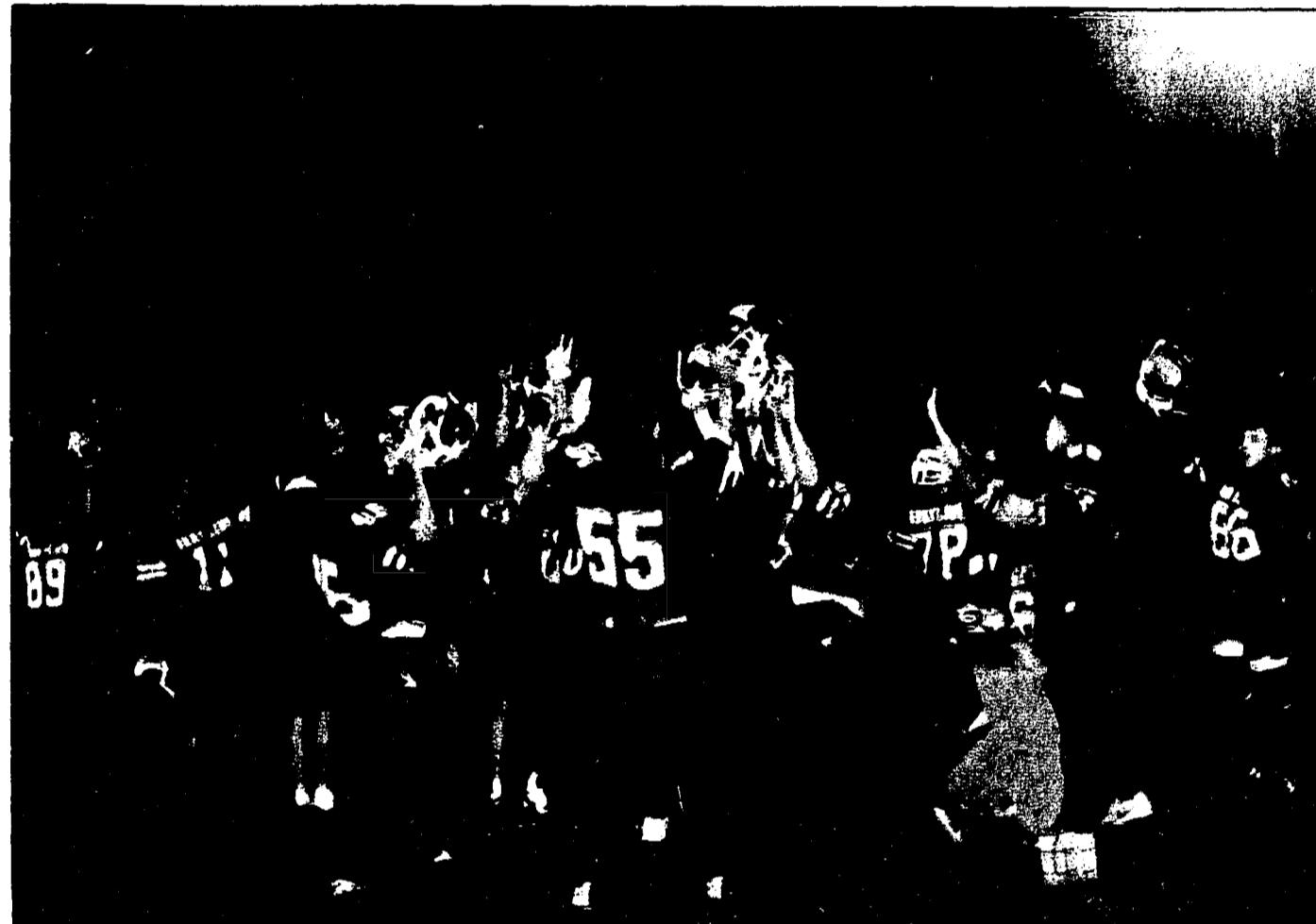
maximum amount of time to give the citizens of Crawford County a chance to have a facility for residents of today and tomorrow."

Morgan said he was a little surprised

and disappointed with the election results.

"I thought it would be close," Morgan said of the election. "But I thought it would go the other way."

Football Fever



SECOND HALF SUCCESS -- The Grayling football team got off to a good start this season with a 20-7 victory against the Roscommon Bucks. The Vikings scored all of their points in the second half. Pictured, the Viking football players and coaching staff put their hands in the air with four fingers extended, getting ready for the final quarter of the contest. Grayling put the game away in the fourth quarter after coming-from-behind in the third quarter. The Vikings will travel to Houghton Lake for this week's game. For a story on the Vikings-Bucks contest turn to page 2B.

Photo by Eric Gaertner

Camp Grayling completes its fifth phase of environmental, water study

The Michigan Army National Guard has completed the fifth phase of a six-year comprehensive investigation and monitoring program of ground and surface waters at the Camp Grayling artillery and air-to-ground range.

The report entitled "1995/1996 Hydrogeological/Monitoring Results" confirms the results of four previous study phases indicating no significant impact to water resources and fisheries

on and surrounding the 27,000-acre, state-owned military training complex, including the East and North Branch of the AuSable River.

Began in 1992 at a cost of nearly \$2.2 million, the "Range 40 Study" is an extensive investigation designed to measure affects to the environment as a result of over 50 years of military training. The study, conducted under a Michigan Department of Management and Budget contract awarded to QST Environmental, Inc. focused on groundwater, surface water (lakes and streams), wetlands, soils, sediments and fish in and around the 7,000-acre "impact" area located 15 miles northeast of the City of Grayling.

Work plans for each phase of the study were approved by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) prior to commencement of field work. Input and review was solicited from the public as well as local environmental action groups for incorporation into the studies.

Some field training activities in the Range 40 area that cause adverse affects to soils, such as the burning of excess artillery propellants, have been ceased. Limited amounts of excess propellant are burned only by explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) teams for emergency and training purposes.

This small scale burning occurs at a

specially designated and constructed burn pan located within the Range 13 mortar range. Two small isolated areas of soils affected by military training that contained elevated levels of contaminants have been cleaned and received remediation verification from the DEQ.

Training that has been altered to better protect the environment include restrictions on the firing of white phosphorus rounds and the relocation of firing points to avoid the potential of impacting wetlands and surface waters. Heavy weapons training also has been limited to reduce noise

impacts.

White phosphorus has not been detected in soils or groundwater and slight trace amounts of explosive chemicals were found in only three out of 38 monitor wells sampled. One of these three wells was a background well not located near or associated with Range 40. Currently, there are no regulatory criteria for explosives.

Camp Grayling officials said they will continue to monitor groundwater surrounding the complex.

As part of a 1991 Consent Order agreement with DEQ, the Michigan Army National Guard is also

competing a similar study on the Range 13 mortar range and will conduct a study of the small arms ranges in 1998.

According to John Hunt, Camp Grayling environmental manager, "Our focus is on the protection of the health and welfare of the citizens and soldiers who live near and train at Camp Grayling. These investigations and our continued efforts to protect the environment through wise practices, sustainable range management and stewardship of public-owned lands, solidifies our standing as one of the nation's leaders in maintaining the training mission."

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One current council member, three other residents file as candidates for city council

City of Grayling residents will have four candidates to choose from when they go to the polls for the Nov. 4 city election.

Voters will cast ballots for two candidates with the top two persons receiving votes filling the open four-year terms. Residents have until Oct. 6 to register to be eligible to vote in the November election.

The non-partisan election will feature one incumbent council member and three other candidates. The four candidates are D.J. Brown, Jerry Hayes, Roger Moshier and Marilyn Palmer.

Brown is a vocal music teacher for Grayling Elementary School and

Frederic Elementary School. She has resided in Grayling for 14 years and has three grown children.

Hayes has been a teacher in Grayling for 26 years. He has two natural children and three step children and is married. He has been a resident of Grayling for 26 years.

Moshier is completing his first four-year term on the Grayling City Council. He works as an auto repair mechanic. He is married and has four daughters and a son. Moshier was born and raised in Grayling.

Palmer, who owns the Iron Gate Restaurant in Grayling, has lived in Grayling for 26 years. She is married

and has three daughters.

Larry Akers currently holds the other council seat that is up for re-election. He has served on the Grayling City Council for eight years. Akers said he decided not to run for re-election, so some new blood could be added to the city council.

"I am one of those people who tries to use a self-imposed term limit," Akers said, explaining that there was not any major reason for not running again other than it being a personal decision.

The two candidates elected during this election will join Robert Golnick, Ralph Stevens and Robert Ruddy on the Grayling City Council.

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Court of Appeals affirms dismissal of defamation suit against three

Decision on McLachlan's suit upheld

The Michigan Court of Appeals affirmed Circuit Judge Richard Liedel's 1995 dismissal of former Crawford County Commission Chairman Robert McLachlan's defamation suit against Stephen Dresch, Joseph Callewaert and David Kneff.

The three defendants had charged the commissioner with engaging in alleged illegal behavior in the sale of the county landfill to a private company. The suits were filed by McLachlan against Dresch, a former state representative, Callewaert and Kneff for statements they had written or said.

In the Michigan Court of Appeals written opinion it was stated that a public officials, such as McLachlan, must prove not only that the publication was a defamatory falsehood, but that the statement was made with actual malice, that is that the statement was made with knowledge that it was false or with reckless disregard of whether it was false or not.

The first point that the plaintiff (McLachlan's side) argued was the circuit court erred in its finding regarding the statement made by defendant Dresch.

According to the appeals court decision, plaintiff took Dresch's statement by asserting that he had wrote that the plaintiff had offered the equalization director a bribe. The judges stated, "Dresch actually wrote that the equalization director had alleged that plaintiff had offered him a bribe."

Therefore, the court ruled the plaintiff had not established a claim of defamation in this instance.

In the second suit charge which was against Callewaert, the plaintiff charged that Callewaert accused the plaintiff of criminal activity.

The court ruled, "A close reading of the allegedly defamatory material demonstrates that the letter never

implies that the plaintiff himself was involved in the 'pattern of bribes and fixes.' Thus, it was not defamatory because it was not of or concerning the plaintiff."

The court of appeals did find that Kneff's statement to the Bay City Times was defamatory because it suggested that the plaintiff may have committed a crime. However, the court also ruled that the plaintiff failed to plead that Kneff made the statement with actual malice. Therefore, the appeals court ruled that the grant of

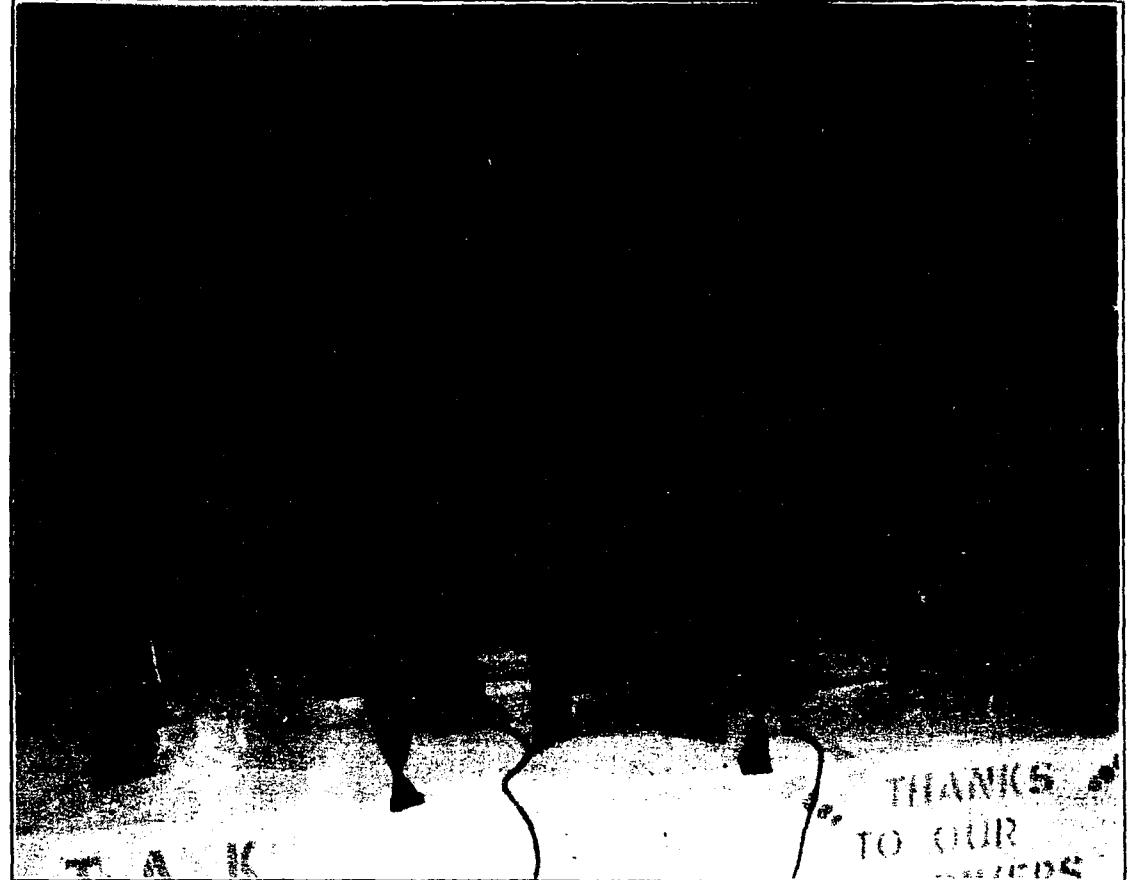
summary disposition to Kneff was appropriate.

Dresch, Callewaert and Kneff indicated that the Court of Appeals' decision confirms "that our independent judiciary will not permit itself to become a tool of those who would attempt to silence and intimidate citizens who dare to demand accountability in government."

In other matters involving those involved, a 13-count conflict-of-interest complaint by Crawford County Prosecutor John Huss against

McLachlan is pending in Crawford County District Court.

Dresch has also filed suit against Huss. He charges Huss is in violation of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. Dresch and Callewaert are asking for various records from the prosecutor, including files from or to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Michigan Attorney General's office and the Michigan State Police with regard to the case against McLachlan.



BAIL MONEY — These "jail birds" were calling people for donations to the Muscular Dystrophy Association so they could get out of jail. Jail was Citizens Bank in Grayling. These three jail birds (from left) Joe Carpenter, Carol Conklin and Trichia Adison are shown pleading for a donation so they could be released.

ATTENTION GRAYLING TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

The Grayling Township Compactor and Recycling/Composting Center will open Tuesday, September 16, 1997

CATEGORIES	YES	NO	HOW
Paper	Newspapers, Magazines Glossy Inserts, High grade--computer--office	Coupons, Envelopes	Bundle each type in brown bags
Boxes	Corrugated cardboard	Paperboard (Cereal) Wax Coated	Empty, remove liners, flatten, bundle
Glass (labels may stay on)	Jars/Bottles --Clear--Green--Brown	Broken, Automobile, Drinking glasses, Pyrex, Light Bulbs	Rinse, remove metal ring or lid, separate by color
Plastics (labels may stay on)	Beverage jugs, Milk, Cider, Detergent	Oil Bottles, Heavier Plastics	Rinse (must be clean), remove caps and rings
Tin	Tin Cans	Paint Cans, Aerosol Cans	Rinse, remove paper labels, remove both ends, flatten
Aluminum	Foil Wrap, Pans, Trays	Dirty Foil, Paper, Cloth and other Foreign Material	Clean, flatten when possible
Yard Wastes	Leaves, Small Brush, Grass, Xmas Trees	Building Materials, Furniture, Brush less than 6" in diameter	Leaves and grass must be in bags

Taking care of the environment is the responsibility of everyone, even you. Grayling Township is leading the way in environmental responsibility with the opening of the new township recycling and composting center on North Down River Road.

Beginning Tuesday, September 16th, the Grayling Township Recycling Center will accept most any kind of household and yard wastes, including paper, corrugated cardboard, three colors of glass, tin, foil, magazines, newspapers and plastic jugs; plus leaves and small brush trimmings from your yard. And there's no extra cost to you if you have purchased an annual \$30 disposal permit.

All the material collected will be shipped directly to manufacturers who will make new products. None of the recycled material will go into the landfill.

The Grayling Township Recycling Center will have new and expanded hours for you to dispose of your recyclables too. Beginning Tuesday, September 16th, the recycling center will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m., and on Saturdays, the center will be open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. It will be closed at all other times.

1997 disposal permits will be honored through December of this year. 1998 permits will be on sale at the township office beginning September 1, 1997, and will also be honored for the remainder of this year and all of next year. To purchase your 1998 permit, mail your check for \$30 to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738.

Join the push to protect the fragile environment of Grayling Township. Recycle and compost your reusable household waste at the Grayling Township Recycling Center. For a free brochure on how to recycle and compost, stop by the township office on M-72 West, or call 517-348-4361.

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Students approve sportsplex in mock vote

GHS activities held to teach students about their voting responsibility

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The students at Grayling High School overwhelmingly approved both proposals concerning the proposed Crawford County Sportsplex at a school mock election on Thursday, Sept. 4.

Unlike their parents and the other voters in Crawford County, the students will not have to pay any additional tax money, so the mock election had a different feel than the regular, special election. The students did vote on the same language proposals as the adults did during the Sept. 9 special election.

Mr. (Howard) Lehti's Seventh Hour Project Involvement Class at Grayling High School handled the various aspects of the special election. Grayling Township Clerk Monica Ashton and Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore provided the voting booths and tabulation of the students' votes.

"I was really happy with the amount of kids who took this vote seriously."

-- Howard Lehti,
GHS Teacher

The \$6 million bond proposition was approved by students during the mock election. The "yes" votes totaled 221 (89.47 percent) and the "no" votes totaled 26 (10.53 percent).

The .45 mill request for operation of the proposed sportsplex also was approved by students. The total number of "yes" votes was 195 (79.27 percent) and the total number of "no" votes was 51 (20.73 percent).

There was a total number of 248 students who voted in the mock election. This represents about 40 percent of the high school student body.

"I was really happy with the amount of kids who took this vote seriously," Lehti said. The teacher pointed out that the purpose of the mock election was to teach the students the importance of taking their civic duty responsibly.

Lehti's Project Involvement Class were broken into different committees to handle the election jobs. There were

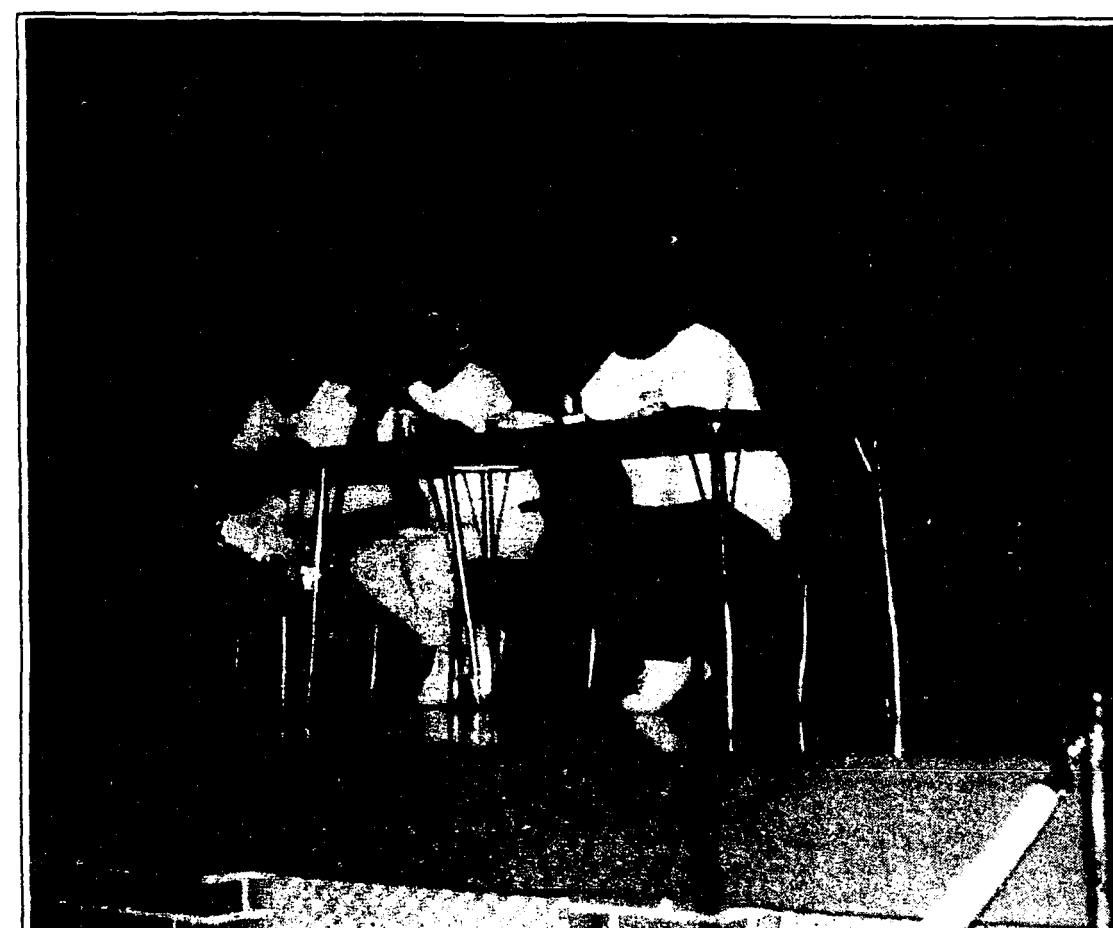


committees for: set up and take down of the equipment, advertising with posters and announcements, six different groups of election workers and a group to take the final tally.

The Project Involvement Class and Lehti's other classes also had to complete a report on the sportsplex election. The report was to include information about the two sportsplex proposals, what the sportsplex will provide, advantages and disadvantages, two interviews about the issue, and a prediction on the outcome of the Crawford County special election with reasons.



DRAWING WINNER — Ray Lange, owner of Lange Vending, presents a Fila mountain bike to Jackie D'Amour. The bike drawing was part of a sportsplex/Pepsi fundraiser put on by the Citizens for the Crawford County Sportsplex.



TOWN MEETING — Approximately 30 Crawford County residents showed up to listen to members of the Citizens For the Crawford County Sportsplex committee and to ask questions. Committee members Mike Shearer (left), Bud Morgan (middle) and Rick Nash make the presentation concerning the proposed Sportsplex.

Town meeting held prior to the Sept. 9 county special election

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Approximately 30 Crawford County residents turned out for the town meeting on Sept. 3 for the proposed Sportsplex.

The residents heard a presentation by members of the Citizens For the Crawford County Sportsplex and were given an opportunity to ask questions about the proposed facility. Committee members Bud Morgan, Rick Nash and Mike Shearer conducted the meeting in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School.

The town meeting was scheduled to give residents a chance to get information about the special election on the Sportsplex, which was held on Sept. 9. The Sportsplex issue of the special election featured two propositions — a \$6 million bond request for construction and set up of the Sportsplex and a .45 millage over 10 years for operation of the facility.

The committee members' presentation focused on the basic concept of the Sportsplex. They talked about the five major items that would be included in the facility — an ice arena, a swimming pool and a wading pool, a walking/exercise track, a 200-seat conference room and an all-purpose gymnasium. The construction site of the Sportsplex would be at the corner of Old-27 and M-93 at the Crawford County Fairgrounds.

One of the questions raised by an audience member was, "What if residents vote to build the Sportsplex and not to operate it (which is what

happened in Kalkaska County)?"

Shearer explained that it is nearly a necessity that both proposals pass, so the facility can operate as planned. However, he said the county could still build the facility and attempt to get the millage passed at a future election. An attempt to find alternate funding methods to run the facility could also occur, but that would be difficult to do.

Another question focused on the reasoning behind the .45 millage which would raise approximately \$150,000 in the first year.

The committee members said they worked with officials of the Otsego

County Sportsplex on the project. Otsego County asked for \$108,000 to operate its facility. Nash said the Crawford County committee figured it may need a little extra for operation, since the area hockey association is not as established or large as Gaylord's was.

Cindy Olson, who is in charge of running Hanson Hills through the Grayling Recreation Authority, said she hoped the two groups — the Sportsplex and Hanson Hills — would work together. Although the two are not connected operationally, Shearer and Morgan said they would like to work together with their programs.

CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

by Tracie Compton

Story Hour at the Crawford County Library will begin Sept. 17 and run for 11 weeks.

Story Hour at the Library is a gentle way to introduce your child to listening to someone else for direction and entertainment. At Story Hour we do finger plays, sing songs, watch a film strip, and do a craft.

Please reserve a space for your child by filling out a form at the Library or

call 348-9214 and we can take the information over the phone. We ask that children be between the ages 3 and-a-half and 5 years old and not in kindergarten yet.

Hours at the Crawford County Library are Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. The phone number is 348-9214.

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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

Richard Millman

On aging drivers and lame ducks

DRIVING TIPS -- Letters to the Editor often contain kernels of wisdom. A 74-year-old Floridian, critical of elderly drivers, cited several fatal accidents:

— Woman, 79, killed when she turned her car into the path of a pickup.

— Man, 78, killed when he turned his car in front of a pickup.

— Couple, 78 and 82, died after turning in front of a pickup.

The writer's conclusion: "My fellow senior citizens are killing themselves by driving when they cannot do so safely."

His solution: Periodic exams to weed out "incompetent and dangerous drivers" who suffer disabling ravages of age.

He has a point.

But considering his first three examples, there may be another way: Ban pickup trucks.

LAME DUCKS — U.S. Rep. Bart Stupak of Menominee wants to trim the wings of lame ducks.

He was bothered by House Colleagues who either retired or were beaten in 1996 elections and still took extensive trips at taxpayers expense as their terms wound down.

His solution: Limit lame duck travel to trips to and from home districts.

Makes sense. It's a wonder nobody thought of it before.

STROM SENSE — Sen. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina has served in the U.S. Senate for more than 41 years. If he lives out his present term, he will be 100 when it runs out in 2003.

He says he won't run again, and recently endorsed term limits, adding: "That sounds strange coming from me, doesn't it?"

Yes it does.

Another Thurmond suggestion made a lot of sense, too.

Recalling the old days when Congress was in session only six months of the year, Mr. Thurmond said:

"It might be better for the country if it was like it was before. The longer Congress stays in session, the more they find something to do."

That goes double for the Michigan Legislature.

If legislating at federal and state levels would become part-time jobs, term limits would be obsolete.

Politicking and office holding have

become a career. Those in office fight to stay there.

If serving in the Legislature or Congress were an avocation instead of a life's calling, problems of campaign financing and shady fund raising would be diminished, too.

Maybe we ought to give it a try again.

TOP WAGES — Michigan lawmakers are fourth highest paid in the country, according to a recent study.

Michigan legislators are paid \$57,367.

At the other end are New Mexico lawmakers, who receive no pay but get \$163 a day expenses while in session.

In New Hampshire, lawmakers receive \$200 for a two year term, and in Alabama, pay is \$10 a day.

Could there be a connection between the high pay level in Michigan and the fight against term limits and for full-time career status of legislators?

Nah....Probably not.

BROADWAY BOUND — Dr. Seuss is headed for the Great White Way.

In the works is a new musical to be

called "Seussical" and starring The Cat in the Hat, who will guide the audience through a variety of Seuss stories.

The Grinch, Sam I Am, Horton the Elephant, the Lorax, Sneetches and the Whos in Whoville likely will be featured. Green Eggs and Ham, with 10 Apples Up on Top, may also be there.

Well, why not? Too tough for children's books to become a success big time musical?

Andrew Lloyd Webber turned a collection of T.S. Eliot poems about cats into the longest running musical ever to hit Broadway.

Why not Dr. Seuss?

SOBERING THOUGHT — More than 100 constitutional amendments have been introduced in the Congress this year.

And many of us thought judges were the only ones trying to change the work of the country's founders.

YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

from Charles Tinsley, Social Security Representative

The right time to file for Medicare

"I'll soon be 65 years old, and I'm going to keep on working. When should I file for Medicare?" That's one of the most frequent questions we get.

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Remember, there are two parts to Medicare. They are:

• Hospital insurance (also known as Part A Medicare) which is paid for by a portion of the Social Security tax workers like yourself pay on your earnings. Part A helps pay for inpatient hospital care, home health care, hospice care or care in a skilled nursing facility following a hospital stay.

• Medical insurance (Part B Medicare), is partly financed by monthly premiums which you'll pay if you choose to enroll in that part of Medicare. Part B helps pay for doctor's services and many medical services and supplies that are not covered by Part A.

Although you'll need to enroll in Part A when you reach age 65, you can delay enrolling in Part B if you're currently employed and covered under a group health plan, until your group coverage ends. You can then enroll during a special enrollment period and avoid the 10-percent premium surcharge for late enrollment period and avoid the 10-percent premium surcharge for late enrollment in Part B Medicare.

For more information about Medicare, call our toll-free number, 1-800-772-1212, and request the publication, "Medicare."

Some widows — and widowers — who begin receiving Social Security survivor benefits before they reach retirement age may qualify for a higher retirement benefit later on. This is why we tell them check with us when they reach age 62 or 65. Unfortunately, not everyone does.

Here's how it works: Let's say your spouse dies and you apply for a survivors benefit as a widow or widower at age 60 (or at age 50 if you're disabled). Then, when you reach age 62 or older, you could switch to retirement benefits if you have worked and your earnings were high enough to entitle you to a benefit amount larger than the survivor's benefit you presently receive. When a person is entitled to one type of Social Security benefit, Social Security always pays the higher amount.

When widows and widowers file a claim for survivors benefits, we ask them to contact us when they reach the full retirement age. Unfortunately, as the years go by, some people forget to check back with us to see if they are entitled to a higher benefit.

However, when the surviving spouse doesn't contact us upon becoming eligible for full retirement, the person is not disadvantaged. In fact, when people between age 65 and 70 delay receiving retirement benefits, they actually increase their eventual Social Security benefit amount. For example, let's say a widow born in 1930. Each year she delays receiving retirement benefits on her own earnings record, her potential retirement benefits on her own earnings record, her potential retirement benefit increases by 4.5 percent. These increases are added in automatically from the time she reached her full retirement age (65 in her case) until she begins collecting monthly benefits or she reaches age 70.

Because the rules on switching to another benefit are somewhat complicated, we suggest you talk with a Social Security representative about the options available to you. You can call our toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, to make an appointment to speak with a representative. Our lines are busiest early in the week and early in the month. So, if your business, call, it's best to call at other times.

Flag Football Standings

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Fall Soccer - We will be accepting registration for fall soccer at a cost of \$25. Play begins on Sept. 13, Saturday mornings on the outfield of our softball field. No registrations will be accepted after Sept. 20.

Girl's Basketball Instruction - K-4 girls instructional program begins Sept. 20. We need volunteers. Please call 348-2292 or 348-9266 for details.

Facility Rental - Don't forget - We have facilities for your parties/reunions and events. Please call 348-0266 for details.

Bicycle Trail - Our new bicycle trail is now open. It begins left of the cross country ski lodge. It is marked with white squares. The trail is approximately three miles long. Trail construction is about one-third single track, two-thirds existing cross country trails and two track. It is an exciting addition to our recreation area. Maps are in the brochure rack by the front door of the main lodge.

Spookfest - Plans are underway for this year's Spookfest to be held on Halloween night Oct. 31. We need volunteers and donations in order to offer this fun and safe alternative for youth on Halloween night. Teen Halloween Party and Dalcie Saturday, Nov. 1 at the Main Lodge at Hanson Hills. No one younger than sixth grade allowed.

POINT OF VIEW

by Lee Riley, Beaver Creek Township Supervisor

'Wish List' for area presented

This article is a result of this elected official not knowing when to leave well enough alone. I had to mention to the editor of this paper that I wouldn't mind participating by supplying a view point column, and I have known for some time that my turn was coming up. A deadline was needed to get me going, so here I am working on this article the last minute before the deadline. A decision was made some time ago on the subject that I wanted to write about. I have even lain awake nights thinking about just what to say. If a title were necessary, it would be my "Wish List". Please understand that it is not one for myself but for my community. If it were my personal list, number one would be, running in the surf, with my wife, in the ocean near Laguna Beach, Calif.

The following wish list is not exclusively for Beaver Creek Township, but for the entire surrounding area. By the time this article appears in the paper one issue will already have had decisions made by the voters of Crawford County. That is the possibility of this county having its own sports complex. I will say that having one would leave the county better off as far sports and recreation activity is concerned, but should it be so high on our list of priorities? I compare this millage vote to the head of a family going out and

buying an expensive new recreation vehicle when the family's only car sits in the driveway barely running and unsafe to drive. My wish would be for us to look for ways to improve and, yes, expand our road system in the county. Even with the four-cent increase in gasoline tax, we are looking a long way down the road before we will see a noticeable improvement in our area roads. If we still have the need to improve and expand our school infrastructure, that should have priority over a recreation facility.

The next wish still has to do with roads. I hope that we will see a solution to the serious problem of getting all of the traffic through Grayling. I do everything I can to avoid the traffic light on I-75 Business Loop and Michigan Avenue, especially on weekends. The congestion at that light is only a symptom of the overall problem. The solution is a limited access freeway between I-75 and Traverse City. It makes sense to construct that freeway to run almost directly west from Grayling. That would benefit the entire southern part of the state as well as this area. I have recently been told that this road may be constructed, but will not happen anytime soon, and may attach to I-75 anywhere from Grayling to Indian River. In the meantime this county needs to find a way to give Grayling

back to its residents and to make it pleasant for those who want to visit the city. I don't buy into the theory that Grayling will only prosper as long as the traffic has to pass through the city. The next time you have to wait through two or three cycles at the Michigan Avenue light, think how visitors must feel.

State land, do we have too much in this county? I think we do. I can't believe that anyone who has lived here and made their living in this county would think that we need more state or federal land. I would like to see legislation that would set up a review committee that would ultimately have the final say to any more land in this county being acquired by the state. This committee should be comprised of elected officials and residents of the county. At the same time, a system should be set up that would mandate the state to sell selected parcels back into private ownership. Best use would be the main factor that determines whether or not the property should be retained by the state or sold. Please understand that I am not advocating that all state land be sold or that it be done all at once. The state would still preserve large parcels for their benefit and use.

There are many more items on my wish list, and the list for Beaver Creek is endless. I will spare readers by

relating only one more. Would someone please explain to me why the county no longer has a presence at the airport. I can not understand how anyone benefited by the military now having complete control. How can it be justified when so many other military complexes are being turned over to local units of government and private enterprise? Somewhere along the line a logical and acceptable solution was available, and the people making the decisions missed the opportunity. I am not pointing the finger at, or blaming any one person or group for the situation we are in. I have been involved from the county side and I accept a portion of the blame. I will always believe that the military could have had the space and access that would have served the people of the State of Michigan and the military's best interest, and at the same time, allowed this community a chance to develop this airport. We have only to look at Gaylord's industrial development around their airport for a model of what could have been. If someone could explain to me how we got where we are and why, maybe it's not to late to work this situation out to the best interest of everyone.

Summer Playground - The school year has started and that ended a very fun Summer Playground Program at Hanson Hills. One-hundred-and-thirteen children enjoyed many activities, fun, and friends with our wonderful staff this summer. What a rewarding program for everyone involved.

Grayling Fish Hatchery - Sept. 1 marked the closing date of the Grayling Fish Hatchery. We had a great summer enjoying everyone.

Ski Swap - While you are doing your fall cleaning, remember the annual ski swap at Hanson Hills is Friday and Saturday, Nov. 28 and 29.

Men's Flag Football - There will be a meeting Saturday, Sept. 13 at 2 p.m. at the Hanson Hills softball field bleachers.

Men's Softball - Tournament Results: Northwoods Land Company, first place; Big Boy Restaurant, second place; CSI, third place.

Youth Flag Football - Thirty-two children are participating in our new flag football program. Games are on Friday evenings starting at 6 and 7 p.m.

Wildfire Safety Tips

Always use the ashtray when smoking in your vehicle. A match tossed from a car window, farm vehicle, or off-road vehicle (ORV) can ignite leaves or grass, causing a wildfire.

Never grind a cigarette, cigar or pipe tobacco out on a stump of log.

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Community news items submitted to the Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in our Wednesday issue.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not reflect the views of the Crawford County Avalanche.

BRIEFS

Annual Harvest Dinner scheduled

The Annual Harvest Dinner at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church in Grayling will be held on Sept. 25 from 5-7 p.m.

Blood drive was successful

The American Red Cross blood drive held at the American Legion on Sept. 3 was very successful with 94 donors and one first-time donor.

Church luncheon planned

A noon luncheon is set for Thursday, Sept. 18 at the Michelson United Methodist Church in Grayling. The luncheon will feature soup, salad, sandwich and dessert and run from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Citizens' group sets next meeting

The Headwater Land Conservancy will hold its next meeting on Sept. 11 at the Courthouse Annex-City Commissioners Room in Mio beginning at 7 p.m. The public is welcome.

Hunter safety class scheduled

Hunters' safety classes will be held on Sept. 17 from 5:30-9 p.m., Sept. 18 from 5:30-9 p.m. and Sept. 20 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Army Aviation Support Facility at the Grayling Army Airfield. Persons should pre-register by calling Kathy Seaman at 517-348-8533 or Dennis Palmer at 517-348-7432 after 5 p.m.

JV football car wash to be held

A car wash to help support the JV Viking football team will be held on Saturday, Sept. 13 at the 7-Eleven in Grayling. The charge will be \$3. If it rains on Saturday, it will be cancelled until Saturday, Sept. 20.

Missionary Conference set for Frederic

The Northern Michigan Round Robin Missionary Conference will be held Sept. 14-18. Each of the following speakers will appear at the Frederic Baptist Church during the week. Steven De Ford will speak on Independent Baptist Indian Mission Inc. on Sunday, Sept. 14, at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. The rest of the speakers will be at 7 p.m. They include Michael Taylor, Monday, on Ghana, Africa; Gary Saunders, Tuesday, on Baptist Pioneer Mission Representative; Joseph Aldridge, Jr., Wednesday, Evangelist; and Scott Smith, Thursday, Independent Faith Mission Romania.

MS self-help group to hold meeting

The MS self-help group, a support group for persons with Multiple Sclerosis (MS) and their families and friends, will have a special meeting on Sept. 13 at the Roscommon Community Center at 2 p.m. The special speaker will be Janet Hahn, RN, coordinator of the MS Clinic in Midland. The topic will be "Living with MS."

Service of Remembrance set

Hospice of Michigan-Roscommon will be conducting their Ninth Annual Service of Remembrance that will honor the patients they have served during the past year on Sunday, Sept. 28 at 4 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Roscommon. For more details call Hospice of Michigan at 1-800-553-1978.

SHARE pick-up correction

The SHARE pick-up was reported to be on Sept. 20, but it actually will be on Sept. 26. The pick-up will run from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints on North Down River Road.

Stancil to present information at meeting

At the Sept. 16 meeting of the ADD/ADHD Parent Support Group, Anemari Stancil will present information on neuro-biofeedback. The meeting will be held at the Grayling Middle School conference room from 7-9 p.m. For more details, call 348-7641 ext. 527/528.

Travel series to open season

The Travel and Adventure Series through the Crawford AuSable Community Education Program will begin on Thursday, Sept. 11. The show called "Hawaii Wild and Beautiful" will be put on by John Holod at 7:30 p.m. at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

School annual report to be presented

The Crawford AuSable School District annual report for the 1996-97 school year will be presented to the public on Monday, Sept. 15 at 6:30 p.m.

The report will be available at this time in the Grayling Elementary School conference room prior to the regular September board of education meeting.

The annual report actually consists of six smaller annual reports. The smaller items cover the five school buildings and one for the district. The reports will give a good description of each of the schools in the district.

The reports will cover such areas as student achievement, school improvement activities and parent participation. The school improvement activities will include goals for each of the schools and the goals for the district, and accreditation status of each building.



The Sheriff's Department of Crawford County dealt with the following 129 incidents from Sept. 1 through Sept. 8:

Assault (2), Burglary (2), Larceny (2), Property Damage (4), Controlled Substance (1), Obscenity (1), Public Peace (6), Citations (5), Health and Safety (24), MiscCrim (7), Minors (3), Accidents (6), Non-traffic Accident (5), TrafPolic (1), TrafSaPR (3), False Alarm (2), Alarm (1), Fire (2), Hazardous Condition (1), InspVeh (71), InspProp (2), Civil /FT (8), Suspicious Situation (8), GenAsst (2) and General Non-Criminal (14).

BITS OF TALK

by Fay Bovee — 348-7017

"Main Street" or Michigan Avenue, its official name, is changing with new stores or businesses getting started. One of them now open is the Grayling Pharmacy in the same building that the former Grayling Pharmacy occupied. We welcome Jeff Emmons to the downtown area and wish him well in his new store. Down on Mac's corner, the windows are still painted but we're anxiously waiting for the new clothing store and most people are still finding their way in the back door to the photo shop which is officially known now as the Riverland Photo with Donna and June. We understand that it will be expanding once the store is open. Good news for the downtown area.

A recent wedding held in Cadillac involved the Williams family of Grayling and formerly of Grayling when Charlie Stinson and Heather Campbell were married on Aug. 2, 1997 at the First Methodist Church in Cadillac. Charlie is the son of Lewie and Sharon Stinson of Gwinn and the grandson of Donna Lee "Sammy" Williams of Grayling and the late, Charles F. "Gus" Williams. Heather is the daughter of Joel and Linda Campbell of Cadillac. Steve Stinson of Ishpeming was his brother's best man. The young couple will reside in Midland. Other members of the Williams family who were in attendance were Pat and Gary Swanson of Seminole, Fla., their daughters, Lt. Rae Anne Swanson and friend, Capt. Scott Sherer of Washington, D.C., and Marjie Stinson and friend, Scott Daly of Seminole, Fla.

The following day, all of the Williams family attended the 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration of Marie and LeRoy "Snooks" Akers held at the American Legion Hall on Sunday, Aug. 3. The next week the family spent at a cottage at Lake Margrethe.

Bill and Gladys Tuft have returned from a tour cruise to Alaska. They flew to Fairbanks and from there continued on the Denali National Park where they took the tour into the park where they were fortunate enough to

Rogers takes office job with Hillsdale

A local financial business has hired a new employee.

Kathy Rogers is the new office manager at Hillside Financial Group at the Arrowhead Professional Building located on the 1-75 Business Loop.

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FRI.	12	•VAR GIRLS TENNIS vs. Alpena, away, 4 pm. •VAR BOYS SOCCER @ Pine River, 4:30 pm. •VAR FB vs. Houghton Lake, away, 7:30 pm.
SAT.	13	•ENJOY A WALK through beautiful Hartwick Pines State Park. (Sticker required.)
SUN.	14	•ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
MON.	15	•KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Iron Gate, 12 noon. •AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of Retired Persons meeting @ COA office, 1:30 pm. •HS HOMECOMING WEEK. •VAR GIRLS TENNIS vs. Petoskey, home, 4 pm. •VAR BOYS GOLF @ McBain, 4:30 pm. •MS GBB vs. Tawas, 7th away, 8th away. •VAR BOYS SOCCER vs. Pinconning, home, 5 pm. •FRESH GBB vs. Tawas, away, 6:15 pm. •SCHOOL BOARD MEETING @ GE conference room, 7 pm. •COMMUNICATION IN THE FAMILY (How to listen and understand others) @ New Life Community Services, 7-8:30 pm.
TUES.	16	•GPA MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. •VAR GIRLS TENNIS vs. Bay City John Glenn, home, 6 pm. •VAR BOYS GOLF @ Oscoda, 4 pm. •GBB vs. Pinconning, away, 6:15 pm. •AD/ADHD PARENT SUPPORT Group with Anemari Stancil, information on neuro-biofeedback, MS conference room, 7-9 pm. For information call 348-7641, ext. 527 or 528.
WED.	17	•AMERICAN BUSINESS Women's Association dinner meeting @ 5:30 pm. Call Cathy @ 348-8076, for more information. •WEIGHT WATCHERS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West. Weigh-in, 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Sandy, 348-5321. •ROTARY CLUB meeting @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •LIONS CLUB MEETING @ Breakers Steak House, 6:30 pm. •CONCERNED CITIZENS for Animals meeting @ Milltown Groomers, 7 pm. For more information call 348-4117. •AuSABLE RIVER CANOE Marathon meeting @ Mini Mall race office, 7 pm. •SCHOOL PICTURES at all buildings. •MS GBB vs. Kalkaska, 7th home, 8th away, 6 pm.. •VAR BOYS SOCCER vs. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, home, 5 pm. •FRESH GBB vs. Pinconning, home, 6:15 pm.

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Shawano Center proud of gardening skills

by Shirley D. Schmoock

Special Writer

When the multi-million dollar upgrading of the Shawano Center in Grayling was budgeted, there was nothing in the project for landscaping.

The youth school and detention facility is operated by the Family Independence Agency, formerly Michigan's Department of Social Services. The youth housed in this facility are juveniles, and the upgrading added 20 beds for detention purposes.

Because the youth currently in residence at Shawano Center are

expected to do community service, they are often found on river rehabilitation projects, setting up for the local Red Cross blood drives, and in general, helping to beautify the City of Grayling and surrounding areas.

Last spring and summer, they designed and built a memorial garden on an interior courtyard. It was planted and is maintained by the young men at the Shawano Center, as well as numerous staff members. The courtyard is filled with colorful birdhouses, flower boxes, assorted perennial and native plants, and the

area makes an excellent place to visit with their families on family day.

Most of the young men at the center are unaccustomed to working as a team. By participating in local and area landscaping projects, they learn how efficient a group can become when working as a unit rather than

independently. Their cooperation in maintaining the memorial garden is a fine example of this teamwork.

River House Shelter is another recipient of their services. The youth provide Christmas presents for the children, do monthly shopping for the residents, do painting and odd jobs at

the facility, and "man" the hot dog stand for them during the AuSable River Canoe Marathon. The young men also help residents and their children move their furnishings and possessions when families at the shelter leave to set up housekeeping elsewhere.

Two U.S. representatives from Michigan push for new road-funding plan

Congressmen Dave Camp (R-Mich.) and Bart Stupak (D-Mich.) have both signed on to a new federal transportation funding package authored by U.S. House Transportation Chairman Bud Shuster (R-Penn.).

The new transportation bill would greatly increase the amount of federal highway dollars given each year to Michigan. According to Camp's office, the bill is headed for possible passage by Sept. 30.

The new plan, labeled Building Efficient Surface Transportation and Equity Act (BESTEA), would set federal funding levels to states for transportation projects over the next six years. This is a revision from the current Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA).

Under the ISTEA plan, Michigan was one of the "donor" states in the country. This meant Michigan was paying more money to the federal government under the gas tax than what the state was getting back for road work and repair.

The new plan also is supported by a majority of the Michigan Congressional delegation and Gov. John Engler.

"This bill is great news for Michigan," said Engler. "It's the kind of substantive change in the formula we need to get a fair return on the dollar. I applaud the hard work and dedication of our Michigan Congressional delegation in helping move this issue forward."

Prior to the governor's support was announced, Stupak had asked for his

support at a news conference on Sept. 4. Stupak also explained the Democrats role in the transportation package.

"In July Gov. John Engler asked the Michigan delegation to support the highway funding plan known as STEP 21, saying it was the strongest plan for Michigan," Stupak said.

Democratic members of the Michigan delegation rejected that request, saying we would continue to work with committee leadership in developing a plan that brings Michigan the best share of transportation funds and protects the role of local governments in highway planning," Stupak said.

BESTEA provides an average of \$246 million more per year for Michigan roads than was provided in the 1991 transportation bill. BESTEA would put Michigan fourth in the nation for road funding.

Camp said the additional funding is desperately needed to repair the state's roads and highways.

"Michigan is finally getting its fair share of funding," said Camp. "It returns more money back to the states that paid the most into the Highway Trust Fund." I am very optimistic that this bill will pass the House and Senate and have a positive impact on the quality of our roadways."

"Working people in cities and towns, and farmers across Michigan count on reliable roads for recreation and doing business," said Camp. "This bill will enhance our communities, bring jobs to Michigan, and result in better, safer roads."



SHAWANO LANDSCAPE — Chuck Amman is shown in the Memorial Courtyard that was built and is maintained by the youth of the Shawano Center.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

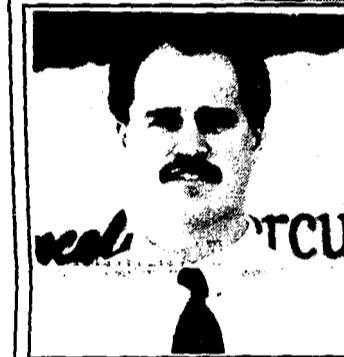
Special thought for the week: If you are too busy to feel miserable, you will be happy.

1 to 3 p.m.

Happenings at the Center and announcements of things to come: Sept. 11 - Blood pressures and sugars taken from 11 a.m. to noon; on Sept. 12 - Pantry Bingo at 1 p.m.; on Sept. 15 - SHARE sign-up; on Sept. 16 at 5:30 p.m., Sister Naomi will speak on Habitat; Mystery trip on Sept. 17, leaving at 10:30 a.m.; and COA Board meeting at 5:30 p.m.; on Sept. 18 we will have a recognition dinner and dance honoring our past Kings and Queens; dinner will begin and the festivities with a program and dancing afterwards. Foot clinic on Sept. 19 with legal help at 1:30 p.m. and pantry bingo at 1 p.m. Pancake brunch on Sept. 21, from 10 to 1 p.m. Sno-Birds Christmas dance on Sept. 23 at 5:30 p.m. Casino trip and blood pressures 11 to noon on Sept. 25; SHARE pickup from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Sept. 26. Pantry Bingo every Friday from

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DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

by Wendell L. Hoover, Interpretive historian

We, my wife and I, took a walk on the trail that follows to some degree the boundary of our property a few evenings ago just to see how the trees and especially the blackberries were doing. What with the dry spell and then the rain coming so late, it is going to be hard work to get enough for a pie from the looks of things. There are several other places yet to look, but it doesn't look too promising.

One of the plants we saw was Indian Pipe just starting to peek out of the soil. According to the records I have kept over the years of when certain flowers come into bloom, it was right on schedule. There have been years when it made its appearance in July and, as it has turned out, the earlier I see Indian Pipe the earlier the snow makes its debut.

In case you don't know it, the Latin name for Indian Pipe is *Monotropa uniflora* and when it is fully grown it is only 10-inches tall. When it is fresh, it is a pinkish-white, but as it matures it turns black. According to one source at hand, there are two species that grow in various places around the world. Indian Pipe is not able to manufacture its own food, but instead

is dependent upon a clump of fungus mycelium around its roots that takes its nourishment from decaying woody plant materials. The Indian Pipe in turn takes its nourishment from the fungus. One could not survive without the other.

Also much in evidence was Goldenrod which is a member of the Daisy Family. Goldenrods can be divided into categories to aid in identification such as plumelike, elm branched, clublike, wandlike and flat topped. There are at least 29 different members in this family so any help in determining who is who would be helpful. Goldenrod is often found growing in proximity to ragweed which is the true culprit of respiratory problems. The goldenrod is a flower of late summer and a good indication of the impending change in the season.

There were a number of birds flitting about in the Dogwoods and upon closer inspection nearly all the dark blue berries were gone. According to one source, the berries of Alternate Leaved Dogwood are eaten by 11 different species of birds including ruffed grouse. This native of North America blooms in early June and as the summer

progresses the fruit turns from green to blue. Like most other plants this one is known by other names such as umbrella tree, pigeonberry, blue dogwood, purple dogwood and green osier. Dogwoods are slow growing and do their best in open shady areas of the midlayer between forest floor and the tree canopy, but heavy shade will eliminate it.

The wood of this shrub (it may reach a height of 30 feet) is hard and is used in the textile industry, mainly for shuttles in weaving, since it has little wearing effect upon thread. I am not sure about now, but at one time golf club heads were also made from this wood. During the War Between the States the bark was used as a substitute for quinine in the treatment of malarial fevers.

If you have put off taking a walk with your spouse and or the kids, don't you think its time you did? There are a lot of little mysteries even in your backyard to look into that would not involve the couch or the TV.

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Youth symphony from Sweden to open the Cultural Events Series

The award-winning Crawford AuSable Schools Cultural Events Series will be opening its 1997-98 season on Sept. 18 with a Swedish youth band concert.

This season comes on the heels of last year's Cultural Events Series that won the Education Excellence award from the State of Michigan Board of Education. The local program was tops in the area district of schools and "one of Michigan's Best."

This year's series will open with the Ostgota Youth Wind Symphony playing at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium in Grayling High School. The group from Likoping, Sweden will start its concert at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 18.

Interested persons can get tickets by calling (517) 348-7641 ext. 123. Tickets for this particular show and series tickets are available. If no one is there, individuals should leave a message and the ticket information people will return the call.

Some of the music which will be performed by the Ostgota Youth Wind Symphony includes: "Under Blagul Fana" (Under the blue and yellow flag), "I Sommarnatt" (In Summernight), "Where no man has gone before", an Outdoor Overture",

"James Bond 007", and "The Stars and Stripes Forever".

The youth band from Sweden features 46 musicians, ranging in age from 16- to 22-years old. Ostgota Youth Wind Symphony is a youth activity organized by the regional Ostergotland in the south of Sweden. The aim of the orchestra is to make musically interested youth of the different communities meet to make music and contacts.

Although the concert is Sept. 18, the Swedish musicians will arrive in Grayling on Wednesday, Sept. 17 and will stay until Saturday morning (Sept. 20).

The group will tour the Grayling area and take part in numerous activities. Some of the events may include a picnic at Hartwick Pines State Park, a canoe trip and other activities.



SWEDISH MUSICIANS — These are the members of the Ostgota Youth Wind Symphony from Sweden. The group will be playing as part of the Cultural Events Series of the Crawford AuSable Community Education.

Activities planned for GHS Homecoming Week

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The week's festivities will begin with the hall decoration for all classes at Grayling High School. Halls will be able to be decorated on Sunday, Sept. 14 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Monday will be called "Disco Day." Halls and downtown windows also will be judged on this day.

"College Shirt Day" will take place on Tuesday. Students and parents are invited to come watch the Powder Puff football game on Tuesday from 9:15 a.m. to 11 a.m. The Grayling

High School junior and senior girls will battle it out for the spirit cup on Ferguson Field. Admittance into the game is free.

Wednesday, Sept. 17 will be "Dress-up Day" at the high school. Pictures also will be taken. Banners will be judged on this day.

Thursday will feature an outdoor lunch, if the weather permits. It is also "Theme Day" at school.

The traditional "Green and White Day" will be Friday. Students also

will compete in indoor and outdoor games (weather permitting). Friday's Homecoming Parade will start at 6 p.m. and be led by Grand Marshal Lacey Stephan. Line-up for the parade will be at 5:30 p.m. at the middle school. The Homecoming football game will follow, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Ferguson Field.

The Homecoming Dance will start at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday and run until midnight. The Homecoming Court will be featured at the dance.

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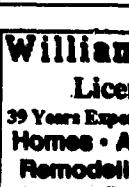
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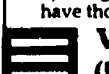
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Open house planned for township recycling center

Residents invited to come view the facility on Monday, Sept. 15

by Eric Gaertner

News Editor

When the idea of a recycling center in Grayling Township was first approved in July by the Grayling Township Board of Trustees, officials were shooting for a mid-September opening.

The process of setting up the new recycling center went as planned and did not run into too many delays.

An open house for the township

recycling center on North Down River Road has been set for Monday, Sept. 15 from 1 to 3 p.m. An official ribbon-cutting ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. The public is invited to the open house.

The recycling program will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 16. Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright said the recycling center will be open to the public for business beginning at 3 p.m. on Sept. 16.

The same sticker that was used for

the trash compactor will be used for the recycling center. The stickers are \$30 and allow for use of the entire facility at the North Down River location, next to the Little League Fields. The 1998 stickers for the recycling center are also on sale by Grayling Township.

During the open house on Monday, officials will explain how the recycling center will work and what the building and each compost pile will be used for.

The recycling center features the newly constructed 24-foot by 40-foot

by 12-foot high, drive-through, garage-type building. Township residents will be able to unload their separated and bundled recyclables onto benches and volunteer attendants will place in appropriate boxes.

A 12-foot tall baling machine also is housed in the building. It is capable of baling corrugated cardboard and plastic. Locations at the center are available for disposal of non-recyclables and a yard of piles for compost.

Camp Grayling completes phase

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Camp Grayling has been the recipient of many national and local environmental awards, including the prestigious Office of the President "Closing the Circle" award for waste reduction practices and the National Guard Bureau's highest honor the "1996 Eagle Award" for installation environmental protection and excellence.

Other projects scheduled for 1997 and 1998 include the construction of two timber bridges over the East Branch of the AuSable River to replace aging culvert type crossings, slope stabilization around Duck Lake and continued maintenance of sand traps constructed in 1991 in Portage Creek, a tributary of the Manistee River.

GHS ALUMNI NEWS

GHS Alumni News
by Clara Sorenson

We have many inquiries about the Roy O. Milnes Award, about what is it? This has been our favorite student presentation since it was established. Roy O. Milnes graduated from Grayling High School in 1916. He was School Board Secretary for many years. He was active in community affairs. He gave us a lot of support when we started the GHS Alumni Association in 1950. When he died January 1961, our board agreed that he should be honored by us. Our choice was "The Best All Around Good Citizen of the Senior Class". The student is chosen for citizenship, cooperation, congeniality. The name of the student is put on our plaque at the high school. There is no money given...only recognition. We now use a second plaque for 27 names already installed. This is our remembrance of Roy O. Milnes.

1961, Tom Stampfli; 1962, Sherman Neal; 1963, Donna Fenton; 1964, Vicki McEvers; 1965, Gary Allen; 1966, 49738.

Arthur Wakeley, Joseph Wakeley; 1967, Teresa Frinkle; 1968, Paul King; 1969, Carleen Church; 1970-72, no business; 1973, Terry Fitzpatrick; 1974, Dennis Theaker; 1975, Mark Hanson; 1976, Leigh Cary; 1977, Scott Fick; 1978, Patricia Duley; 1979, Spencer Olsen; 1980, Susan Somerville; 1981, Scott Dunckley; Sheryl Wieland. 1982, Marian Matyn; 1983, Diane Whaley; 1984, Monique Petroskey; 1985, Michelle Barber; 1986, Beth Bedard; Kevin Reynolds; 1987, Tamara Welch; 1988, Carolyn Trudeau; 1989, Lori Dean; 1990, Melanie Ojala; 1991, Michael McMillan; 1992, Andrea Austin; 1993, Sara Palmer; 1994, Christopher Wolcott; 1995, Matthew Reidner; 1996, Sara Amman; 1997, Patrick Lannie.

There will be "the rest of the story" next week. Our plans are complete for the annual GHS Alumni Homecoming Dinner on Saturday, Sept. 27. Get out your letters and check the deadline for tickets...Wednesday, Sept. 24. They should be in our mail box, 403 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling, Mich. 49738.

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"Gaither," from Job Search Training Systems, Inc., Nineveh, Ind., is "highly motivational," said Steve Oppy, director of KCC's Career and Employment Services Department. "He's both educational and entertaining as he details creative methods to look for, and to acquire a good job."

The free workshops will benefit not

only job seekers, said Oppy, but employers who are seeking quality workers. Interviewing skills and problem resolution techniques are areas in which many supervisors lack training and expertise.

"This is a great opportunity to hear a nationally-known speaker and educator, so we want as many people as possible to participate," said Jennie Walker, Career and Technical Educational Department, C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District. Gaither's appearance are being put on by Kirtland Community College and C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District. For registration information, please contact Steve Oppy, KCC 517-275-5121 Ext. 440.



WEDDING PLANNED - Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Stephan of Grayling announce the engagement of their daughter Caroline M. Stephan to Hank V. Saylor, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Saylor of White Lake. The wedding date is set for May 9, 1998.

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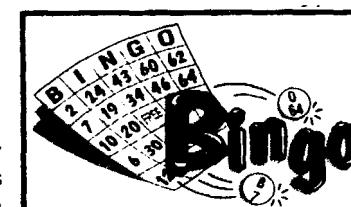
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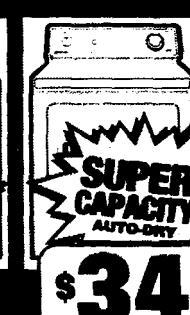
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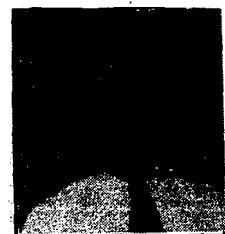
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NOTES NORTHERN

Section B - Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, September 11, 1997

Kirtland, Mercy Hospital join forces to 'build' a new health center on the KCC campus

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Officials from Kirtland Community College (KCC) and Mercy Hospital held a news conference on Thursday, Sept. 4 to announce the opening of the new Nurse-Managed Health Center (NMHC).

The new health center on the KCC campus will feature a staff comprised primarily of nurse practitioners. The NMHC program is put together by the working together of KCC and Mercy Hospital.

The news conference featured many area professionals and followed with an open house. Officials also announced the mid-October opening of the facility.

"This is a very important moment in Kirtland's history," said KCC President Dorothy Franke. "This opening ceremony is the start of a significant new relationship between Kirtland Community College and its staff, students, and faculty as well as the community at large."

Franke; Mary Ann Fleischmann, chair of the KCC Health Occupations Department; Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak, Chief Operating Officer, Mercy Health Services North; and Douglas Slater, MD, Mercy Primary Care Associates and the NMHC Medical Director, collaborated to introduce the features of the center, its staff members, and the services to be provided.

The center was established to meet the primary health care needs of college students, faculty and staff as well as residents of the Kirtland region. Services to be provided will include care of acute/chronic illnesses, such as respiratory disorders, gynecological disorders, and ear and throat infections; health maintenance services, such as nutritional counseling, routine physical exams, and family planning; and

personal health management services, such as education and counseling in AIDS awareness, parenting skills and health risk management.

"Our mission is to encourage

"Mercy has enjoyed a long-standing relationship with Kirtland's nursing program. As the college moves forward with the NMHC, we are pleased to offer our expertise in the Center's development. This expanded partnership between Mercy Hospital and KCC is exciting."

*—Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak,
Chief Operating Officer of
Mercy Health Services North*

option only when ill," said Fleischmann. "The Center will be staffed by nurse practitioners who have comprehensive training in health promotion and health preventative strategies."

Nurse practitioners, registered nurses with advanced education and clinical experience, will work in collaboration with Slater, the center's Medical Director, to treat common health problems while focusing on educating patients about health maintenance and disease prevention.

The mission of the Center, according to Riemer-Matuzak, "furthers the health care mission of Mercy Hospital."

"Mercy has enjoyed a long-standing relationship with Kirtland's nursing program," said Riemer-Matuzak. "As the college moves forward with the NMHC, we are pleased to offer our expertise in the Center's development. This expanded partnership between Mercy Hospital and KCC is exciting."

The partnership also includes administering the Center's Well-Child Examination and Immunization Program. The program, which was awarded \$5,000 from the Mercy Health Services North Strategic Initiative for the Poor Fund, will provide free mental and physical exams as well as immunizations to infants from families at risk due to low income, lack of insurance, and other factors. The program also will serve infants covered by insurance.

The college decided to refurbish an old home on the south end of the campus, rather than start from scratch. It provided a less costly method to create the center.

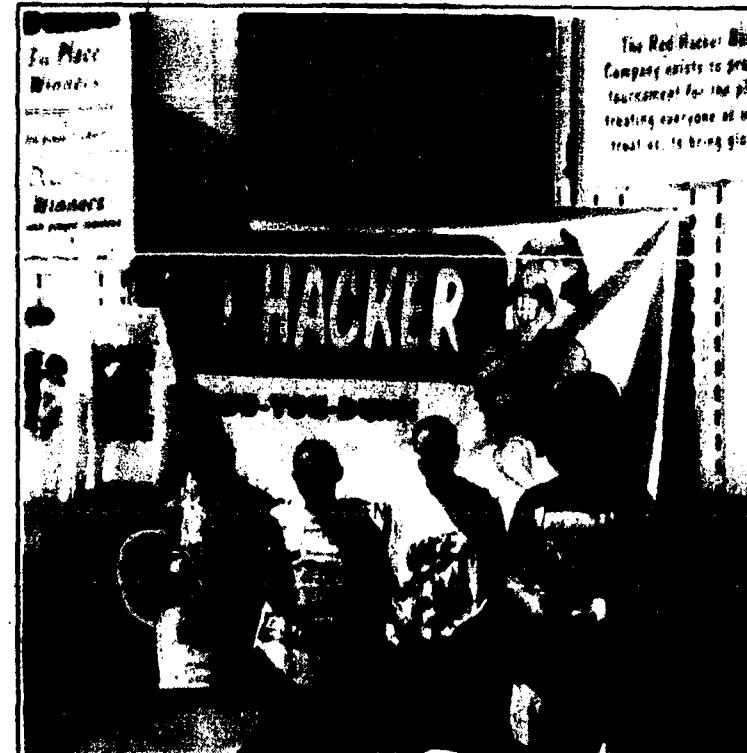
KCC used money from the building fund to pay for the center, Franke said. The KCC general fund will loan money for the center in the first year, then it is planned to be a self-sufficient program.



CENTER OPENS — (Above) Douglas Slater, MD, the Center's medical director, talks about the new health center to be run by nurse practitioners. (Below) Kirtland President Dorothy Franke and Slater cut the ribbon to open the new facility.



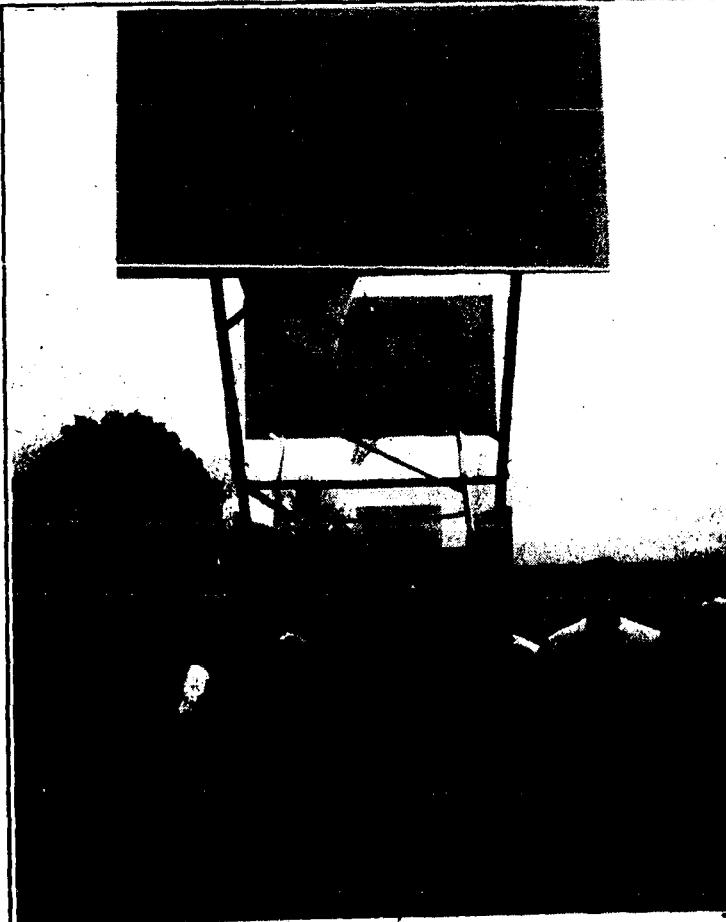
Hackers and Mackers: Doesn't matter which one; Crawford County hoop teams finish at the top



FIRST PLACE — These girls took first place in the recent Red Hacker. The team members were Jennica Webster, Carrie Cacleau, Brandy Ritter and Sarah Norton.



AREA CHAMPS — This area team took first place at the Gaylord Gus Macker. The team consisted of, from left: Liz Tanterra, Nicole DeLyon, Carrie Harrison and Carrie Cadeau.



MACKER WINNERS — This team took first place in their division at the Sault Ste. Marie Gus Macker Basketball tournament. The team, with sponsors was made up of (from left): Nita Millikin, Mack Millikin, Jeremy Jones, Mike Ostwald and Brad Ritter.

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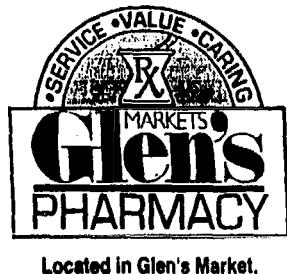
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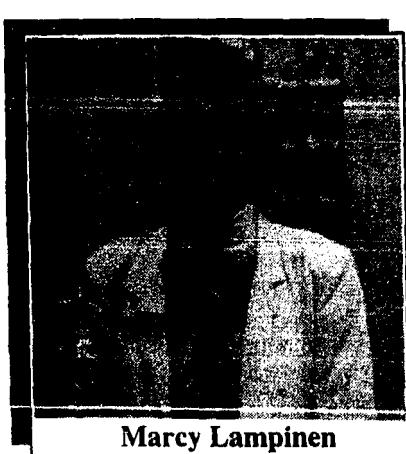
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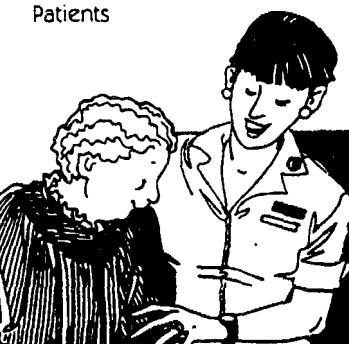


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SPORTS

Football team opens with a 20-7 victory against Roscommon Bucks

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

It definitely was the "tale" of two halves for the Grayling football team at its season opener on Friday, Sept. 5 against arch-rival Roscommon.

The Vikings could not sustain a drive or make any big plays in the first half against the Bucks' defense. Grayling finished with only two first downs in the first half and trailed Roscommon 7-0.

All of that would change in the second half. The Viking players made a number of big plays, especially through the air, in the second half, leading to a 20-7 victory at Donald Ferguson Field before the hometown fans.

"We did not make any big adjustments or really say much to the kids at halftime," Coach Rodney Patterson said, when asked what caused the huge change in the Vikings' play from half to half. "The kids just got in the locker room and they said 'we can play better than this'."

The Vikings proved that they are better than they showed in the first half. It was a total team effort from Grayling to win the contest. The offensive line, quarterback, receivers, running backs, coaching staff and the defense all had a hand in the victory.

Senior running back Jesse Hannum provided the spark for the Vikings at the start of the second half which helped change the momentum.

Hannum started off by giving the Vikings good field position with an excellent kickoff return. Grayling moved down field into Roscommon territory, gaining a lot of the yardage on the quarterback option runs of Nate Beckwith.

On at fourth down and eight play, Hannum and Beckwith hooked up to put the Vikings on the board. Hannum came out of the backfield and sprinted down the middle of the field, and Beckwith hit him in stride with a pass in the end zone. The 31-yard touchdown pass capped a nine-play, 65-yard drive. The extra point was missed, leaving Roscommon with the lead at 7-6.

Hannum continued his inspired play by recovering a fumble during Roscommon's next possession. Grayling then did what a lot of good teams do. The Vikings capitalized on the very next play.

Beckwith hit senior wide receiver

Travis Parkinson with a pass for a 39-yard touchdown. Beckwith made another nice throw. Beckwith caught the pass at about the 25-yard line, made a quick couple of moves to his left and out ran the defenders to the end zone.

Beckwith hit junior wide receiver with a pass for the two-point conversion, giving the Vikings a 14-7 lead they would never loss.

The scoring ended in the fourth quarter. Sophomore Eli Tobin made a nice interception to halt a Roscommon drive. Grayling followed the turnover with a six-play, 32-yard drive to the end zone. Beckwith threw his third touchdown pass of the night to Brad Ritter for the score.

Although there were a number of offensive stars in the game, Patterson said the MVP award on offense goes to the offensive line. Pete Mead, Casey Helsel, Ben Malonen, Travis Beckett.

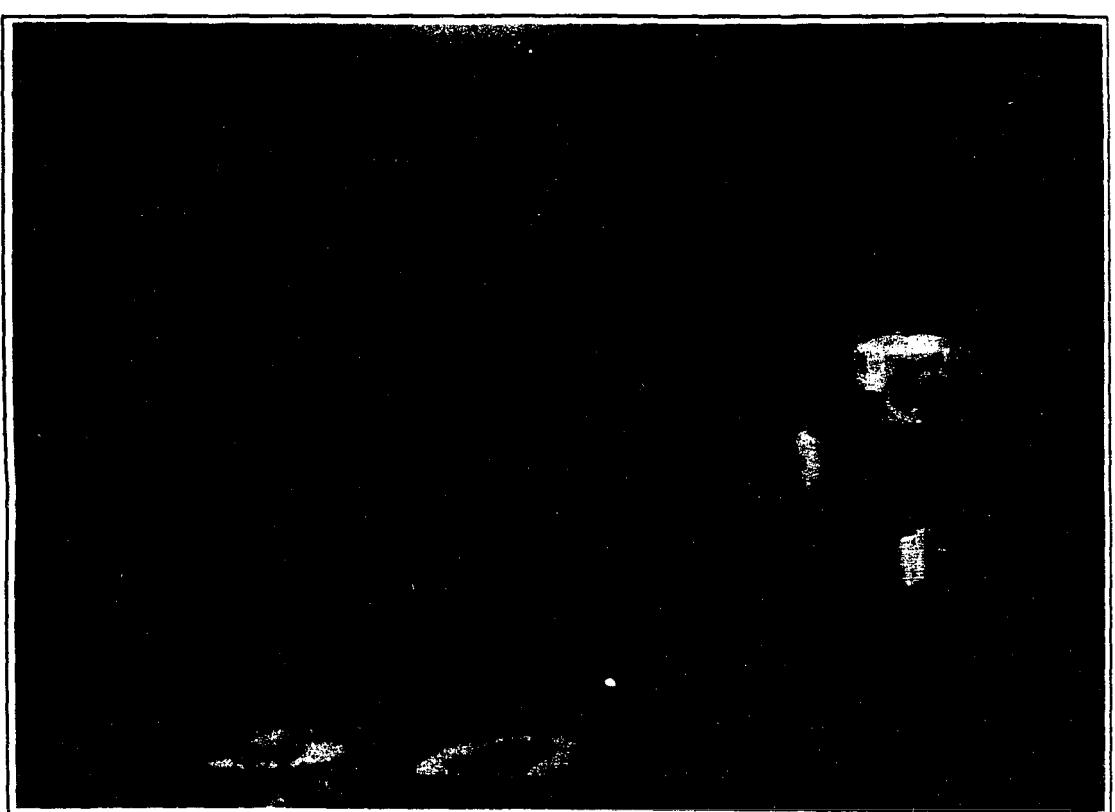
Travis Huber, Travis Parkinson and Brad Ritter were out-sized by Roscommon, but they played very well.

Beckwith followed the offensive line to 67 yards rushing on 12 carries. Hannum finished with 62 yards on 13 carries.

Beckwith was 10-for-26 passing for 163 yards and three touchdowns. In addition to the touchdown receptions, LaForest caught three passes for 38 yards and Nate Hinkle had one catch for 12 yards.

The MVP on defense was Beckett. He finished with 17 tackles from his linebacker position. Ritter added 11 tackles and three sacks. Malonen added eight tackles and one sack. Shane Colby also had 10 tackles in the contest. Beckwith was awarded the "big stick" for the game.

Grayling will be traveling to Houghton Lake on Friday, Sept. 12. Game time is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.



DEFENSIVE EFFORT — The Grayling defense gets ready for the Bucks' offense. The Vikings defense was very good on Friday, holding the Bucks to only six points.

Vikings battle mud, large field at cross country opener

The Grayling Viking cross country runners competed against a large group of athletes in Charlevoix on a very difficult course — especially for the first meet of the year for the Vikings.

The boys and girls from the Grayling squads took part in the Charlevoix Classic on Saturday, Sept. 6. The tough course gave the competitors a big test of perseverance and endurance. Every Grayling athlete who ran in the Charlevoix Classic was able to complete the course.

"The team ran well for our first meet," said Coach Keith Seybert. "This was a very difficult course to run."

The five kilometer course included

a steep jump, a tree jump, a mud hole and hills throughout run. The highlight of the course was the mud hole.

Runners would run across a small deck/bridge and leap into the mud hole. The runners would then work their way out of the mud, up a hill and continue.

Two Viking runners each lost a shoe in this mud hole. They had to finish the race with only their remaining shoe.

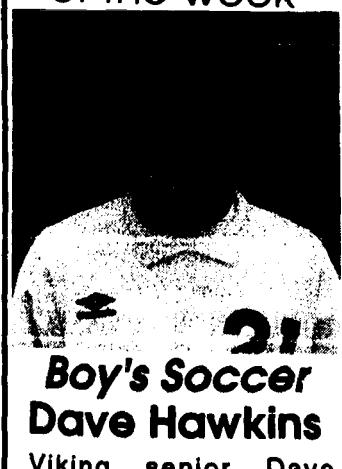
Mickey McClain was the top varsity



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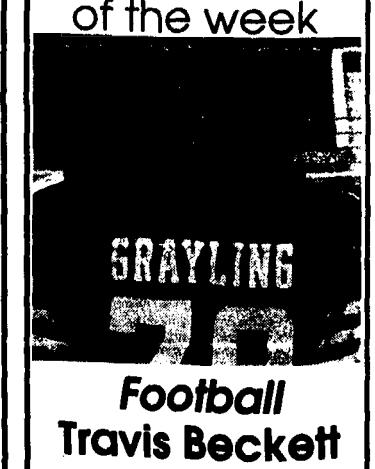


**Wendy's
Viking
of the week**



**21
Boy's Soccer
Dave Hawkins**
Viking senior Dave Hawkins was chosen Viking of the Week for his strong goalkeeper play during the week. He also played midfield and scored a goal.

**Wendy's
Viking
of the week**



**GRAYLING
Football
Travis Beckett**
Viking junior Travis Beckett, was chosen Viking of the Week for leading the team in tackles, with 17, against Roscommon.

Offensive outburst propels Grayling soccer squad to win in Gaylord

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The Grayling soccer team's season record now stands at 1-2-1, following a week that featured the Vikings' domination of one team and a shutout loss to an aggressive squad.

The Viking soccer players had the offense and defense going against the Gaylord Blue Devils JV team on Thursday, Sept. 4. The Grayling kickers dominated the game, winning 10-0.

Coach Karen Langseth said this victory was a "sweet win" for the kids. Last year the Vikings hosted the junior varsity Blue Devils' squad and that contest ended in a 2-2 tie.

Grayling put the game out of reach early. The Vikings had a commanding 6-0 lead at halftime.

Josh Petrie scored the first goal of the contest, and later in the game scored the best goal.

On the "pretty" goal late in the first half, Petrie received a short pass from Mike Pappas. Petrie took the shot from about 30-yards out. The ball went just over the outstretched hand of the Blue Devils' goalkeeper and got under the goal cross bar for a goal. Langseth called Petrie's goal a great shot from a long distance.

Kyle Langseth finished with four goals in the contest and two assists. Kane Madsen scored a goal off of a penalty shot. Colin Hunter and Jon Haskel also got kicks by the goalkeeper.

The starting goalkeeper for the Vikings, Dave Hawkins, had a good first half in goal. With the large lead, Hawkins was able to play some midfield in the second half. Hawkins finished with a goal and an assist.

Jeremy Jones had two assists in the first half and played goalie in the second half. He made all four saves that came his way.

Ravi Ramaswamy, Eric Thompson and Jeremy Millikin each added an assist in the game.

The Vikings did not fare as well at Tawas on Monday, Sept. 8. Tawas

took the conference game by a score of 5-0.

Tawas played some very aggressive soccer, Langseth said. They put us off balance right at the start of the game.

To prove how aggressive Tawas was, the Grayling coach points to the total team fouls for the game. Grayling finished with six fouls and Tawas

finished with a very high number, 14 fouls.

Hawkins had another good day in goal for Grayling. He made nine very good saves in the contest, including two great ones. He came well out of his goalie box twice, leapt in the middle of a crowd of players and stopped Tawas' shots by grabbing the ball at

his highest point in the air.

In addition to Hawkins' strong defensive play, Hunter and Madsen both played very well in front of the goalkeeper.

The Vikings will travel to Pine River on Friday, looking for Grayling's second win of the season and get back to the .500 mark.



TRIP FUNDS — A check was presented to the two Grayling members of the 14 and under AAU girls' basketball team that competed in the national tournament in Texas. The Grayling Youth Booster Club helped with some of the expense for the northern Michigan team's trip with the check. Jodi Potter (left), a Booster Club member, hands the check over to Brandy Ritter (center) and Carrie Cadeau.

JV girl hoopsters show speed

by Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School junior varsity basketball team ran up and down the floor and controlled the game tempo all night to defeat Ogemaw Heights, 55-36.

The Vikings played good aggressive defense throughout the game which caused a lot of turnovers and good rebounds, which turned into fastbreak points.

The Vikings led 24-17 with 20 seconds left in the first half when they scored a three-point play and a basket off a steal to pull away 29-17 at half.

The second half continued the same as the first, and the Vikings held on for a win.

The Vikings traveled to Gladwin on Tuesday, Sept. 9 and played at home on Thursday, Sept. 11 against Tawas. Tip off is at 6:15.

Wendy's Vikings of the week



Cross Country Mickey McClain

Viking senior Mickey McClain was chosen Viking of the Week for being the top varsity boy's finisher, with a time of 20:13. Mickey lost a shoe during the race, but continued on to finish 21st overall.

GRAYLING YOUTH BOWLING Registration & Permission Form

Youth Name _____ Social Security # _____

Current Age _____ Birthday _____ M _____ F _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone# () _____

Parent or Guardian _____

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone# Home () _____ Work () _____

I hereby give my permission for _____ to join the Youth Bowling Program, and I will not hold Youth Bowling volunteers responsible for any accidents that may occur during bowling. Parent or Legal Guardian _____

Signature _____

Special Notes Optional: _____

My kids are allergic to, or have medical conditions, etc. volunteers should be made aware of: _____

Grayling Youth Bowling
158 E. M-72
Grayling, MI 49738
(517) 348-8094

Youth bowling registration planned

It is time for kids to sign up for the "strike and spare" season.

The Grayling Youth Bowling Association will be holding its annual registration on Saturday, Sept. 13.

The registration period on Saturday will begin at 10 a.m. and run until

noon. Instructions also will be given beginning at noon at the Legion Lanes in Grayling.

The registration fee is \$10 for area youth. The coach of the program is Ron Case and he can be reached by calling (517) 348-8094.

The 1997-98 bowling league for youth will begin on Sept. 27. The first shift of the league for youth ages 13 through 19 will start at 9 a.m. each bowling Saturday. The first shift will bowl three games at a charge of \$4.50 per week. The second and third shifts

feature kids ages 7 through 12. The second shift starts each week at 12:30 and the third shift begins at 2 p.m. The second and third shifts will bowl two games at a charge of \$3.50 per week.

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Ernie purchased Flowers by Josie 21 years ago and has been in his present location for 20 years.

Ernie is very active in the community. He is a member of GUDA, Chamber of Commerce, Grayling

Antique Dealer Assoc., Grayling Promotional Assoc. and treasurer of FTD District.

His hobbies include camping, skiing, canoeing and anything that involves the outdoors.

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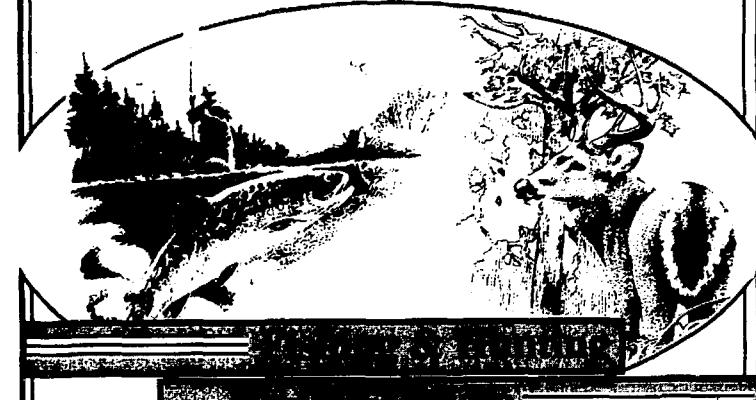
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If you are interested in some late season Trout fishing, you'd better get started!! There are only about two weeks before the official end of Trout season on the rivers. The "Flies Only" sections will be extended to Oct. 31st. Sometimes September can be great Trout fishing with bait or spinners.

You should get out and try one last time before all the hunting seasons get started!!

Speaking of hunting season, Ruffed Grouse, Squirrel and Rabbit seasons all open this coming Monday, September, 15th. Rumor has it that Woodcock season will not open until September 20th. The 1997-98 rule books should be at your license dealers by the time you read this. Pick one up!

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MGT 441	Diversity in the Workplace	Monday	6:9:25 pm
MTH 135	Introduction to Algebra	Monday	6:9:25 pm
ACC 201	Principles of Accounting I	Tuesday	6:9:25 pm
ACC 331	Federal Taxation II	Tuesday	6:9:25 pm
COM 312	Organizational Communications	Tuesday	6:9:25 pm
MKT 455	Marketing Research	Tuesday	6:9:25 pm
ACC 311	Cost Accounting I (ACC 320)	Wednesday	6:9:25 pm
ACC 401	Advanced Accounting I	Wednesday	6:9:25 pm
COM 121	College Writing I	Wednesday	6:9:25 pm
MGT 301	Small Business Management	Wednesday	6:9:25 pm
COM 318	Writing About Literature	Thursday	6:9:25 pm
IDS 185	Transitions	Thursday	6:9:25 pm
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Varsity basketball improves to 2-0 on season

by Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School girls varsity basketball team improved their record to 2-0 by defeating the West Branch Ogemaw Heights Falcons 59-27.

The Vikings came out in the first half and played a very aggressive style of basketball on both the offensive and defensive ends.

"We came out with high intensity in the first half and moved the ball and shot the ball very well to help us pull out to a good lead by half time," said Coach Chris Dunckley.

Amy Godlewski had a strong offensive game with 18 points and also picked up her defense to help the team out.

Mary Dobry added 13 points and Brandy Ritter had nine.

Kristie Cadeau also played a good all-around game coming off of the bench.

The Vikings faced off with Gladwin on Tuesday, Sept. 9 and are at home on Thursday, Sept. 11 against Tawas.

"This week is a good test for us



TOUGH DEFENSE — The Grayling girls' basketball has played good defense to open the season. Pictured, Nicole Craigie gets in position in the paint, as the ball is brought up the court.

GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

Wednesday Womens' League

By Donna Thomson

A very nippy but sunny morning greeted us Wednesday, Ladies on Sept. 3 for Presidents Day, and everyone had a great time.

We had four past presidents that were able to join us and it was good to see Eddie Blaha, Kay Ellen King, Phyllis Scheer and Pearl Tucker. We are also fortunate to have nine past-presidents that are still active in our league.

Ray Trudgeon, who plays center and defensive line, and Jeremy Latuzak, tight end and defense end, played good games on both sides, said Wolcott.

The Vikings have their first home game on Thursday, Sept. 11 against the Houghton Lake Bobcats. Kick off is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

Tennis looks to improve after a tough start

by Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School girls' tennis team has competed in four tough matches against Oscoda, Harbor Springs, Boyne City and Cadillac.

"The girls have struggled due to their inexperience against these tougher opponents, but have shown improvement and that is what we are looking for. The girls are working very hard," said coach Tom Mills.

The Viking girls' tennis team is made up of Erin Mills at number one singles, Chris Floriano at number two

singles, Jean Zelek at number three singles and Sara Johnson at number four singles.

Emily Weaver and Kim Hartman play number one doubles, Colby Davis and Tammy Straight play number two doubles, and Marianne Vollmer and Angie Fischer are at number three doubles.

Nicole Maggo, Brandy Plutko and Amy Stevenson are participating in exhibition matches.

The Vikings face an even harder week having played Traverse City St. Francis on Monday, Sept. 8, Traverse City at home on Wednesday, Sept. 10 and then Alpena on Friday, Sept. 12.



SOCCER SKILLS — These kids showed up for the soccer clinic held recently at Hanson Hills. Tati Errecaide and Rodrigo Gonzalez, both from Argentina, showed the kids certain drills. The two professional soccer players compete for the Detroit Rockers.

Gang task force hears from state law officials

The Michigan Task Force on Youth Gang Violence held its fifth public hearing in Marquette on Aug. 13. The task force, commissioned by Senate Majority Leader Dick Posthumus, is charged with examining issues relating to youth gang violence and making recommendations to the Legislature.

Those testifying included law enforcement officers and representatives from various county courts.

Mike Angeli, a detective sergeant with the Marquette Police Department and a school liaison officer, remarked that "because we are looking at gangs as a community issue, law enforcement is better able to do its job."

The next public hearing is scheduled for Sept. 8 at 10 a.m. at the state capital, rooms 402-403, Lansing.

have happened.

Pins were then given to all the women who got a birdie during our league play. Also Kathy Olsons' name was added to the Hole-In-One Plaque.

Awards were then given to the winners for the season and first was to the most improved golfer and in Flight A it was Jill Anderson, in Flight B Evie Kent, in Flight C, Metlita Taylor, and in Flight D, Shirley Fuhlbrigge.

Awards for most points taken all year went to Flight A, Treva McClanahan, Flight B, Donna Thomson, Flight C, Gloria Kraus and in Flight D, Deanne Weiss.

Then the awards for low Gross for the year went to Kathy Olson, Flight A, in Flight B, Joyce Ross, in Flight C, Katy McNamara and Shirley Shonoff, and Flight D, JoAn Phillips.

Prior to the awards being given we were treated to some hilarious jokes by Nancy Hoffman and then a fantastic lunch of turkey salad, with fruit and a roll and a dessert.

All in all, this was a very good year. Our weather cooperated, we met new friends, miss the old and hope they'll return.

We have some talented gals in our group and I don't mean just golfing. Some are great cooks, some "jokemeisters", artists, gardeners, organizers and yet others just make your day by the nice smile they greet you with. Until next spring, that's all "fore" now.

MERCY HOSPITAL BIRTHS

Robert Kramm & Kari Davis of St. Helen are proud to announce the arrival of Bradley William Kramm born Aug. 13, 1997.

Leon J. Hoover & Lorrie J. Harris of Mancelona are proud to announce the arrival of Cayleigh Brianna born Aug. 14, 1997.

Raymond S. Stern II & Danyell of Prudenville are proud to announce the arrival of Dominick Ryan born Aug. 11, 1997.

John Mollen & Heather McClure of Roscommon are proud to announce the arrival of Olivia Lynne Mollen born Aug. 16, 1997.

R.J. & Patricia Wuensche of Fairview are proud to announce the arrival of Andrew Travis born Aug. 16, 1997.

Brandi Liner of Grayling are proud to announce the arrival of Kyleigh Alizabeth Bissett born Aug. 18, 1997.

David & Linda Greenway of Grayling are proud to announce the arrival of Joseph David born Aug. 19, 1997.

James Bane & Barbara Stout of Houghton Lake Heights are proud to announce the arrival of Nicole Marie born Aug. 19, 1997.

Terry & Jennifer Rhoton of Higgins Lake are proud to announce the arrival of Ashley Danielle born Aug. 21, 1997.

Timothy & Cynthia Smith of Houghton Lake are proud to announce the arrival of James Logan Tyler Smith born Aug. 23, 1997.

TOMORROW'S SUPERSTARS



Emily Michelle, 1 1/2 - Pamela and Carl Roach.



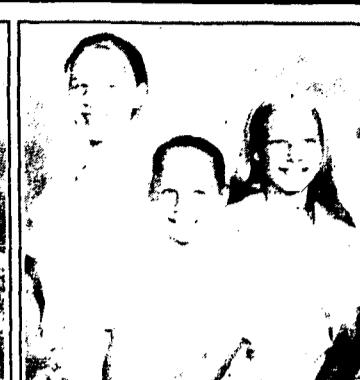
Callie, 4 - Michelle Wilkins.



Lance Kenneth, 14 - Vicki Royston.



Matthew Scott, 4; Mikayla Gene, 3 months - Mike and Toni Dunckel.



Marisa, 14 1/2; Tara, 12; Chelsea, 9 - Dale and Eileen Papendick.



Jennifer, 14; Felicia, 12 - Richard and Susan Phillips.



Frank McLeod II, 5 - Beri LaChance and Frank McLeod.



Aleeshia Allison, 15 months - Beri LaChance and Randy Allison.



Brett Baxendale, 19 months - Adam and Jennifer Baxendale.



Majorle Danielle, 2 1/2; Madison Mac, 1 - Bubba and Rhonda Nielsen.



Tiffany, 5 - Joe and Barb Valentin.



Shane, 1 1/2 - Jennifer Turner.



Krymson June Grace, 5 1/2 - Louis and Barbara Turner.



Noah, 5 months - Curt and Jeannie Jeziorski.



D. J. Metzer, 10 - Darrell and Annette Metzer.



Zack, 2 1/2 - Jim and Nikki Smith.



Joey, 2 1/2; Brandon, 15 1/2 months - Dave and Dusty Latusek.



Amy Kozik, 16; Megan Eilers, 9; Tyler Tompkins, 7 1/2 months - Mrs. Eilers.



Heather - Tina and Scott Lafferty.



Brittany, 4; Amber, 2 - Sherry and Tim Kozik.



Heather, 14; Nikki, 9 1/2; J. Ethan, 6 1/2; Arieal, 5 1/2 - Sharon P. Lynch.



Anastacia Elizabeth O'Berg, 10 weeks - Douglas O'Berg and Tracy Chandonais.



Richard, 7; Samantha, 6; Teresa, 4; Travis, 3; Zachary, 3 - Richard and Yvonne Schreiber.



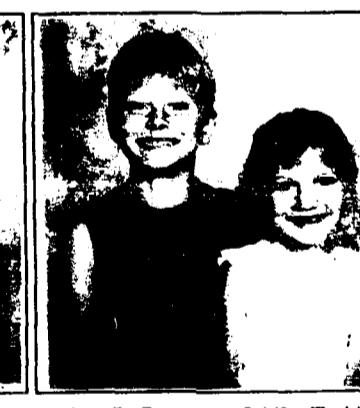
Sydnee Alexis, 2 - Kathie and Tim Sheldon.



Nickolas Martin, 2 - Mr. and Mrs. Martin.



Samantha, 3 1/2; Sirria, 2 1/2; Katelynn, 10 months - Mr. and Mrs. William Martin.



Jorden, 7; Courtney, 5 1/3 - Todd and Missy Wakeley.



Michael, 7; Jim, 7; Laura, 5 - Jim and Cheryl Boylan.



Kelsey, 5; Ethan, 7 - Mr. and Mrs. Neuberger.



William V., 1 month - Rick and Deb Corbin.



Taylor, 3 months - Terry and Brenda Nielsen.



Jonathan, 8; Jennifer, 5; Jamie, 3 - Brock Denton and Michele Moshier.



Dave, 14; Sarah, 12; Bill, 10 - Chris and Linda Golnick.



Madison, 2 1/2; Justice, 1 - John and Dawn Junttila.



Justin, 13; Lee, 11 - David and Candace Schreiber.



Zane Douglas, 3 1/2; Scout James, 9 months - Rocky and Shellee Tobin.



Kyle, 9; Ryan, 5; Cassidy, 1 1/2 - Kelly and Brenda Curtis.



Nicholas, 15 months - Karyn and Joe Smock.

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LEGAL ACTION**STATE OF MICHIGAN
CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY OF
CRAWFORD
RE-NOTICE OF SALE
OF REAL ESTATE
ON FORECLOSURE**

Case No. 96-3995-CH (M)
RUSSELL A. BROWN and
MARY E. BROWN,
Plaintiffs.

MICHAEL RADLICK,
Defendant.

Timothy L. Haring (P29124)
Jonathan R. Moothart (P40678)
BOWERMAN, DROSTE, BOWDEN,
HARING & MOOTHART, P.C.
620-A Woodmere
Traverse City, MI 49686
(616) 941-8048

**RE-NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL
ESTATE ON FORECLOSURE**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above-captioned litigation on November 8, 1996 against Defendant, MICHAEL RADLICK, and in favor of Plaintiffs, RUSSELL A. BROWN and MARY E. BROWN, in the amount of \$11,466.17 and pursuant to that Judgment, I shall offer for sale to the highest bidder at public auction on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1997 at the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan at 1:00 p.m., the following described real property situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, to wit:

PARCEL #13: Being a part of Section 19, T26N, R2W, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: commencing at the SW corner of said Section 19 for Point of Beginning; thence N 1 degree 01 feet 30 inches E along the Section line, 444.26 feet; thence S 89 degrees 26 feet 40 inches E, 986.95 feet; thence S 0 degrees 10 feet 20 inches E, 443.5 feet; thence N 89 degrees 29 feet 20 inches W along the Section line, 993.7 feet to Point of Beginning and contains 10.09 acres of land. Subject to a 33.0 foot easement for ingress and egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities over the Westerly side thereof. KNOWN AS KNEEFECK LAKE ESTATES.

The period of redemption shall be six months from the date of sale.

This Notice is being reissued to correct a typographical error on the Notice of Sale of Real Estate on Foreclosure which was issued on July 31, 1997 in this matter.

Dated: August 18, 1997
Sandra Moore
County Clerk
Crawford County,
Michigan

Recent report reviews HIV prevention programs**MORTGAGE
FORCLOSURE
SALE**

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gerald D. ALBERS and Melissa M. ALBERS, a married man and his wife to Equistar Mortgage, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagor, dated November 26, 1996 and recorded on January 3, 1997 in Liber 423 on Page 319, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to BANKERS TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee for Walsh Acceptance Corp., 1996-1 as assignee, by an assignment dated December 6, 1996, which was recorded on August 1, 1997 in Liber 434, on Page 553, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Eight And 87/100 Dollars (\$68,338.87), including interest at 11.875% per annum. Adjustable Rate Mortgage. Interest rate may change on 06/01 and 12/01 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 11:00 o'clock A.M., on Wednesday, October 1, 1997.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots Numbered 15 and 16, White Pine Estates, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 30, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: August 21, 1997

BANKERS TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee for Walsh Acceptance Corp. 1996-1 FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: (248) 642-4202

Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for BANKERS TRUST COMPANY, as Trustee for Walsh Acceptance Corp. 1996-1
Suite 100
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025
File #97075628

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**BITS
OF TALK**

By Fay Boeve

Vern and Joyce Fox recently returned from a seven-week trip which took them from Michigan to Alaska and return with many stops in between. They visited Lake Louise in Canada enroute to Alaska where Vern caught several Grayling fish. At Palmer they stopped at a musk ox and reindeer farm as well as a wolf dog kennel. It was unusually warm in Fairbanks at 90 degrees during the three days they spent there. They attended the Northern "Inua" Eskimo-Indian Olympics at the University of Alaska and the Fairbanks Ice Museum. They took a private bus tour to Mt. McKinley National Park where they saw a lot of bears and other animals in the park and beside the highway.

Enroute home they stopped at Crater Lake, Ore. The Hoh Rain Forest at Olympia National Park in Washington, the California Redwoods Forest near Eureka, the Sequoias, King Canyon National Park and the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove. In Scottsdale, Ariz. they visited friends and Vern's special treat to Joyce for her birthday was a trip to Branson, Mo., where they saw the Mel Tillis and Brenda Lee show. For dinner they attended the Dixie Stampede attraction and the Barbara Fairchild show. They reported 105 degree weather on their trip from California to Missouri. Before returning home they stopped at the Amish community of Nappanee, ending a perfect vacation with excellent weather the whole trip.

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Still, steaming,
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People,
Limp, lagging,
Half living.

Suddenly-
A breeze,
Cool, refreshing,
Skin tightening, Lungs lightening
Steps quickening,
Ah relief...

Autumn is here!

By
Barbara Brooks

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 16, 1997**

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing to discuss the "Resolution Creating A Community Mental Health Authority" at the September 16, 1997 regular board meeting, at 10:30 am, in the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

Sandra Moore,
Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds
8/28/97

**NOTICE
Residents of Holiday Heights Subdivision
BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP**

Per PA 188 of 1954, there will be a public hearing held on MONDAY, September 22, 1997, at Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8994 S. Oak Rd., Grayling, MI, at 7 pm, to receive written comments and objections regarding improving and creating a special assessment district in the platted subdivision of Holiday Heights #1 and #2 whose property owners have frontage on Baric Drive, Marber Drive and Midway Court, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

Plans and cost estimates for the improvement are on file at the office of the Township Clerk for public inspection.

Sharon K. Hartman
Clerk

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GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold a PUBLIC HEARING beginning at 7 pm, on Tuesday, September 30, 1997, in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (M-72 West), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the following request:

CASE #97-2 Albert Quaal-Trust, Owner
Pete Potterpin, Agent/petitioner
1410 E. Kalamazoo
Lansing, MI 48912
Property Code: 041-008-012-090-00, 01 & 03
East side of Rolla St.
Section 8, T26N, R3W

A request to rezone current C-1 Zone to R-2 Zone for the purpose of one 24-unit senior multi-family housing unit, one 16-unit multi-family building and one 8-unit multi-family building.

CASE #97-7C Albert Quaal-Trust, Owner
Pete Potterpin, Agent/petitioner
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Lansing, MI 48912
Property Code: 041-008-012-090-00, 01 & 03
East side of Rolla St.
Section 8, T26N, R3W

A request for a Conditional Use Permit to allow 48 multi-family and senior apartment units within three buildings.

Case files and zoning map may be examined at the Grayling Township Office during regular business hours. Correspondence may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Telephone: (517) 348-4361 or FAX (517) 348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton
Township Clerk

A recent study published in "Health Education Quarterly" showed that repeated exposure to AIDS prevention messages is one effective method to help prevent the spread of HIV. This report also found that small-group discussion was the most effective intervention activity.

The local Regional Committee Planning Group (RCPG) embraces

these two concepts. Composed of medical professionals, business people and other concerned volunteers, the RCPG seeks to educate northern Michigan residents about the threat of HIV here.

The report stated that specific activities found within prevention programs proved to be the most effective. These activities included outreaches to local high-risk populations, training of peers and volunteers, large group discussions.

Finally, the report found that repeated AIDS prevention messages and forums for open discussion,

coupled with participant involvement, were other very successful approaches. RCPG sponsors many projects utilizing such methods and is currently seeking members who would help further its mission.

For information regarding RCPG and/or membership, contact Dr. Marilyn Lawrence at Northwest Michigan Community Health agency (formerly District Health Department #3) at 616-547-6523.

BOWLING LEAGUE

By Fay Boeve

Senior Citizens League
Bayham Wood Products 3-1
Buccilli's Pizza 3-1
Sylvester's Sports 3-1
Toten's Body Shop 2 1/2-1 1/2
Tees "N" Such "R" Us 1 1/2-1 1/2
Flowers by Josie 1-3
Stevens Family Circle 1-3
Cornell Realty 1-3
Men's High Game: G. Wolfe 181; H. Ingram, 181; D. Germain, 170.
Men's High Series: G. Wolfe, 505; H. Ingram, 476; D. Germain, 450.
Women's High Game: D. Mead, 196; R. Joyce, 181; J. Laskowski, 166.
Women's High Series: D. Mead, 496; R. Joyce, 449; J. Laskowski, 433.

National First League
Northern White Tail Ranch 4-0
Weyerhaeuser 4-0
Legion Lanes 3-1
Forest Brothers 3-1
Moore's Auto 1-3
Corky's D.J. & Karoke 1-3
City Environmental 0-4
Guns & Grub 0-4
High Game: J. Dubois 212; L. Davis, 211; T. Kotrash, 200; D. Henning, 200.
High Series: L. Davis, 599; B. Palmer, 570; J. Dubois, 558.

American Men's League
McLean's Ace 28-14
Northwoods Land 27-15
Auto Parts 25-17
Rod's Auto Body 25-17
Stiches by Sue 21-21
Fenton's Auto Service 21-21
Upper Lakes 14-28
BCI 7-35
High Game: D. Mansfield, 221; D. Henning, 216; D. Canfield, M. Barr, 211.
High Series: M. Barr, 571; D. Mansfield, 567; D. Henning, 562.

Northwood

Team #2 4
R. Calkins & Sons 4
Glens 3
Wakeley's Auto Parts 3
Rich's Cycle Service 1
R & M Masonry 1
Helsel Brothers 0
Millikins 0
High Game: M. Miller, 185; K. Schmidt, 184; B. Wakeley, 177.
High Series: M. Miller, 507; S. Romain, 431; W. Millikin, 426.

Airway 2-2
Moshier's Auto 1-3
High Game: A. Angove, 216; J. Golnick, 205; M. Campbell, 191.
High Series: A. Angove, 581; J. Golnick, 545; Jack Campbell, 520.

Triangle League

Barber Const. 3-1
Jackson Trio 2-2
CSI 2-2
Schreiber 2-2
Airway 2-2
Moshier's Auto 1-3
High Game: A. Angove, 216; J. Golnick, 205; M. Campbell, 191.
High Series: Y. Schreiber, 523; K. Trudeau, 478; S. Rioux, 478; S. Sumner, 431.

Recreation League
Glen's Market 3-1
Mark 8 3-1
Fun-N-Sun Rental 3-1
North Country R.V. 2-2
Mickey Perez CPA 2-2
Scheer Motors 1-3
Peterson Saw Service 1-3
Cornell's 1-3

Sunday Nite Mixed
Suttles Truck Leasing 3-1
Computer Services 3-1
C.S.I. 3-1
All Seasons Drywall 2-2
Us & Them 2-2
M.M.L.D. 1-3
R & M. Masonry 1-3
Women's High Game: M. Hawkins & K. Mosher, 187; M. Miller, 185; M. Wilkins, 167
Women's High Series: M. Miller, 518; K. Mosher, 490; D. Ashworth, 461.

Friday Night Mixed Doubles
A. Bulldog Towing 4-0
Summer 4-0
Charles Country Corner 3-1
Moshier Auto Repair 3-1
Fick & Sons 1-3
AJD Forrest Products 1-3
Aunt Bett's 0-4
Harris 0-4
Men's High Game: R. Schreiber, 190; L. Rioux, 172 & 166; B. Trudeau, 165.
Men's High Series: L. Rioux, 497; R. Schreiber, 475; J. Campbell, 462.
Women's High Game: Y. Schreiber, 203 & 172; S. Rioux, 187; K. Trudeau, 169.
Women's High Series: Y. Schreiber, 523; K. Trudeau, 478; S. Rioux, 478; S. Sumner, 431.

FOUR GENERATIONS — These four generations of the Weiman family were recently together for a baby's christening in Illinois. The four generations are Alan William David Satterlee (baby), Christina Marie Cotton (mother), Dorothy Weiman Cotton (grandmother), and Bob and Emmie Weiman (great grandparents).

46TH CIRCUIT COURT

Appearing before Judge Dennis Murphy on July 7:

Douglas Mervyn Stephan of Grayling, was sentenced on a charge of attempting to carry a concealed weapon. He was sentenced to one day in jail. Johnson is to pay \$240 in costs, \$270.50 in restitution, \$60 in crime victim fee and \$645 in attorney fees. He also was placed on 24-month probation.

Appearing before Judge Alton Davis on July 21:

Mauro Anthony Pizzi of Grayling, was sentenced on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. He was sentenced to 90 days in jail with 30 days held in abeyance. He must pay \$250 in fine, \$360 in costs, \$210 in restitution, \$40 in crime victim fees, \$645 in attorney fees and \$150 in forensics. Pizzi was placed on 36 months probation and his Mississippi driver's license was suspended.

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For The Week Of September 7-13

ARIES

March 21-April 20

This week is about work and money. It may seem like you've got too much of the former and not enough of the latter. If you feel strongly about it, then maybe this would be a good time to ask for a raise. Also, you might take a closer look at what could be trimmed from your budget.

TAURUS

April 21-May 21

A long-standing problem or difficulty suddenly resolves itself in a quite unexpected fashion. Celebrate with a gathering of your closest friends. Later in the week, you'll be feeling on top of the world, but be sure not to neglect someone who's too shy to ask for your attention.

GEMINI

May 22-June 21

A weekend outing could turn into a really memorable occasion, so take a camera. You may be feeling a bit burned out, so go ahead and let your hair down. Ask a friend or mate to be responsible, so you can really cut loose for once. He or she will understand completely.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

When a small windfall comes your way, be careful not to spend it all in one place. You may need to devote all your energies towards a particularly sticky problem. Focus on just getting the job done, and some of the smaller issues will resolve themselves.

LEO

July 23-August 23

This is a great time to start a self-improvement project. Your stick-to-itiveness is running strong, so don't be afraid to reach for the sky. Some constructive criticism could sting at first, but the crits definitely has your best interests at heart, so hear him out.

VIRGO

August 24-September 22

Opportunity beckons, but it will require a leap of faith on your part. Calculate the odds, and don't hesitate, or you'll miss out. A tremendous stroke of insight allows you to work smarter instead of harder. Put the leisure time to use learning a new skill.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

LIBRA

September 23-October 23

Clear up some loose ends early in the week so you can enjoy a carefree weekend. Resist the temptation to play hooky with friends—instead, ask them for help so you can finish up sooner. You may be surprised at the ingenious aid that one person provides.

SCORPIO

October 24-November 22

Keep an open mind this week when it comes to relationships. Romance can bloom in the most unlikely places. Someone with an ugly temper could be showing a softer side. An interesting development at work could be the source of speculation. Stay quiet and you'll hear all kinds of things.

SAGITTARIUS

November 23-December 21

This isn't a good week to go with your first impulse. A circumspect approach is just what the doctor ordered. An expert opinion wouldn't be a bad investment, either. A romantic excursion this weekend is a great opportunity to deepen a new relationship.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 20

Practice makes perfect, so don't give up hope yet on learning a difficult skill. Whether it's gourmet cooking, diplomacy or computer-related, you're standing at the threshold of an entirely new realm. Get outdoors this weekend and enjoy the fall sunshine.

AQUARIUS

January 21-February 18

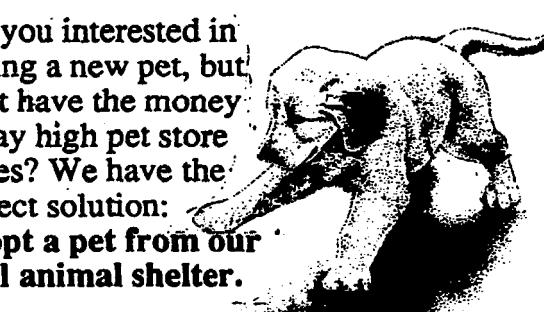
You're due for a really big change this week, so be on the lookout for exciting opportunities. Don't overlook the basics, however—fixing up and catching up on your reading are all good ideas. A major renovation project might be worth considering.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

Something that's been bothering you for a long time should come to the forefront. Take this opportunity to clear the air, because if you hold your tongue, you may not get the chance again. This is not a license to gripe incessantly—but a little constructive criticism will go a long way.

Are you interested in getting a new pet, but don't have the money to pay high pet store prices? We have the perfect solution: Adopt a pet from our local animal shelter.



Our shelter has a variety of cats and dogs that don't have a home or a loving family to care for them. Come and take a look at these animals that are just waiting to be loved by your family. You're sure to fall in love with at least one!

Animal Shelter of Crawford County

508 1/2 Huron St.
348-4117

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

APPLE 'N' RAISIN SPICE COOKIES

(makes about 4 dozen)

1 (18.25-ounce) Pkg. spice cake mix with pudding

2 eggs

1/4 C. milk

1/4 C. vegetable oil

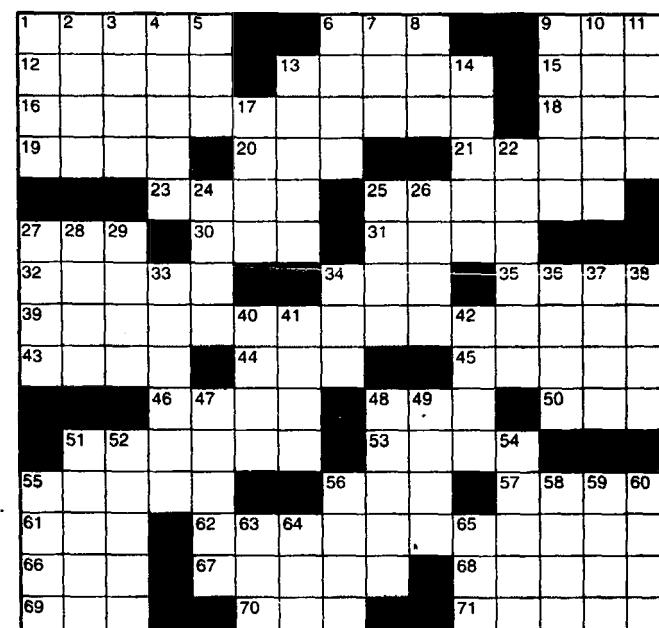
1 (9-ounce) Pkg. mincemeat, finely crumbled

A batch of mincemeat cookies is a thoughtful gift, or you can fill a cookie jar with these holiday treats so you're ready for visits from friends and family.

Preheat oven to 350°. In large bowl, combine cake mix, eggs, milk and oil; mix well. Stir in mincemeat. Drop by rounded teaspoonsfuls, two inches apart, onto ungreased baking sheets. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until evenly browned. Cool 1 minute before removing from baking sheets. Cool. Frost with ready-to-spread frosting. Garnish if desired.



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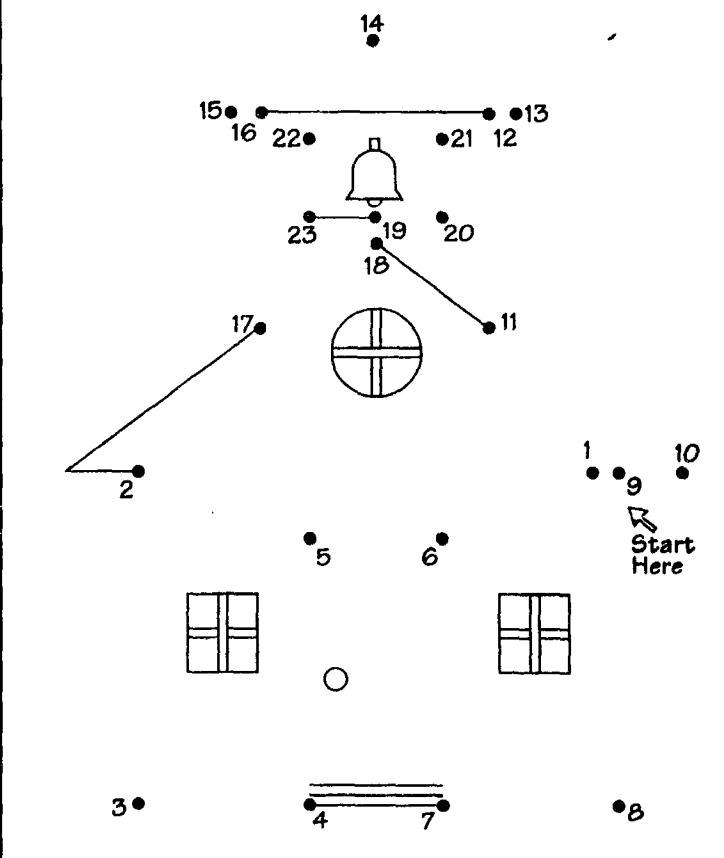


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- 1. Sister of John and Lionel
- 6. High, musically
- 9. Tennyson's *The Queen*
- 12. Pluvious
- 13. Impassive
- 15. Violinist's Bull
- 16. Talent for making money
- 18. Frying must
- 19. Munch's city
- 20. Dusk, to Donne
- 21. Canva's perch
- 23. Wax's chum
- 25. ____ down the hatches
- 27. M.'s spouse
- 30. Via
- 31. Oxidation
- 32. Once-over from the IRS
- 34. Peppermint Patty, to her little friend
- 35. India's little locale
- 39. Pigeonholes
- 43. Sources of shade
- 44. Oui's opposite
- 45. Tennyson's Arden
- 46. Already briefed
- 48. Cultivate
- 50. Certain vote
- 51. Burt Reynolds film
- 53. Miller and Jillian
- 55. Take an apartment
- 56. Commerce agcy.
- 57. Guilt's message
- 61. Stop
- 62. Angie Dickinson TV show
- 66. *Waging Peace* author's monogram
- 67. Long cut
- 68. Altar emanation
- 69. Stubborn beast
- 70. Banned insecticide: abbr.
- 71. Scatter about
- 72. Spiked club
- 73. Ruminant
- 74. Town that also produces Gouda and Leyden
- 75. Publications
- 76. Do evil
- 77. In a while
- 78. Peruvian Indian
- 79. Palid
- 80. Party to
- 81. Affectionate
- 82. Angel or age predece
- 83. Hatching sounds
- 84. Utah Senator Orrin
- 85. Long ago
- 86. Leans
- 87. Hotter than
- 88. Frolic
- 89. Mother of Castor and Pollux
- 90. Slugging tool
- 91. Love, to Livy
- 92. "A rose by any other _____ (Shakespeare)
- 93. Chew methodically
- 94. Glory
- 95. Tyke
- 96. Existed

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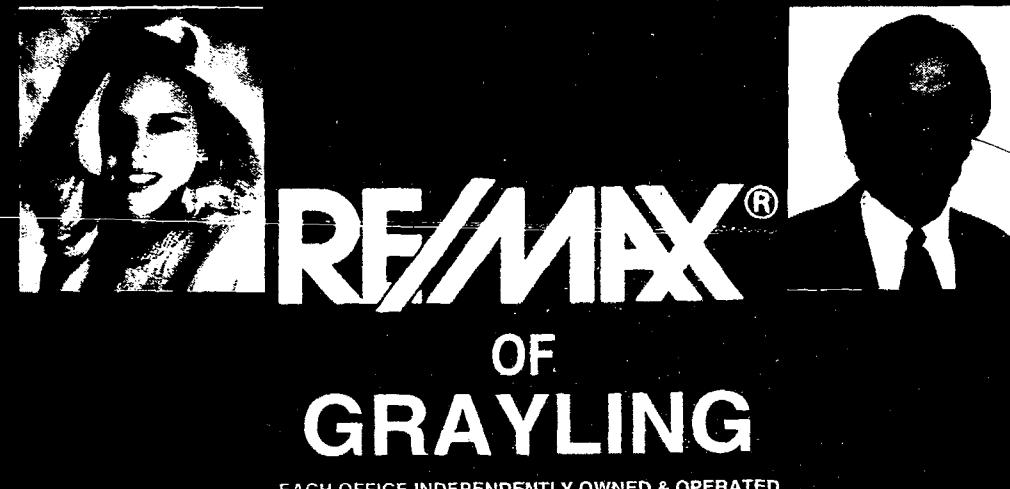
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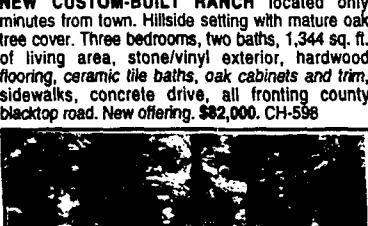
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CHARM, DIGNITY AND CHARACTER is what you will find in this 1 1/2-story home located 1/2 block from Lake Margrethe. This beautiful home features beautiful oak kitchen cabinets, hardwood floors in the living room, warm family room with raised hearth and woodstove, spacious master suite with private bath and an inviting deck with hot tub...all of this and more, situated on a large manicured lot with public access to Lake Margrethe. \$36,500. CS-640

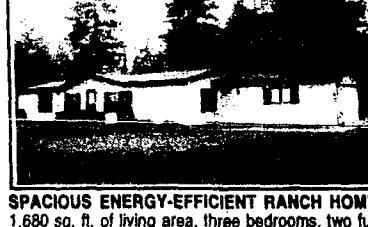


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1. Real Estate

THREE BEDROOM 1 1/2 BATH. eight year old home. Natural gas, hot water heat, 24x32 garage plus 12x32 pole barn, one acre fenced yard. Move in condition. \$58,000 possible financing assistance 517-348-4443. -11-18-1

NEW THREE BEDROOM 1 1/2 bath, two car garage, natural gas heat. Two miles from Grayling. \$85,000. 333 Redwing Terrace, call 348-2928 or 348-8945. -11-18-25-2/1

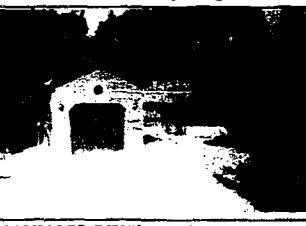
COMMERCIAL PROPERTY BY OWNER: 1.81 acres, M-72 West. 348-4981. -11-18-25-2/1

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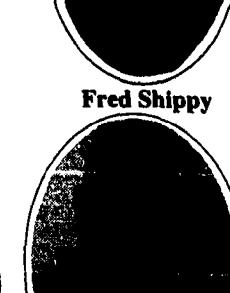
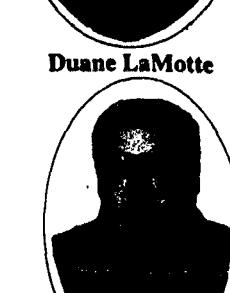
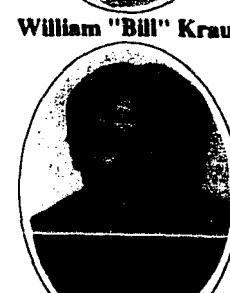
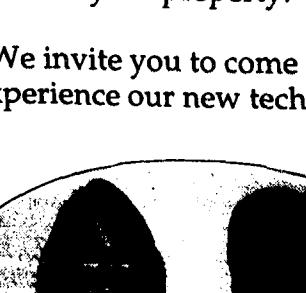
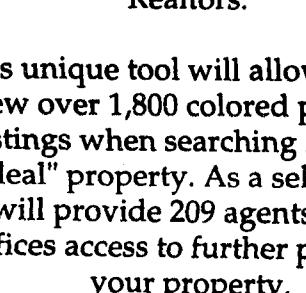
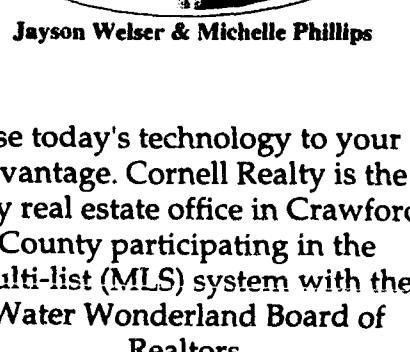
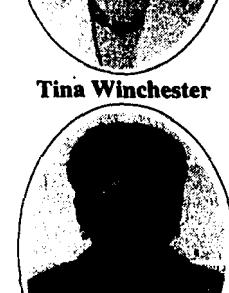
GRAYLING MOBILE ESTATES is the location of this three-bedroom home. 1,630 sq. ft., 1 1/2 baths, family room, covered patio and carport, large garage, garden area. Includes stove, refrigerator and washer. Lots of updating. \$36,900. Reduced to \$31,000. (C-DL-938)

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1. Real Estate

FOR SALE: COMMERCIAL PROPERTY by owner, M-72 West, 348-4981. -4/2

HOUSE FOR SALE: One year old three bedroom home. Great room with cathedral ceiling, oak kitchen cabinets, appliances. Master bedroom features cathedral ceiling, walk in closet and private bath. Attached two car garage, rear deck, natural gas heating. Call for appointment 348-8880. \$89,800. 9/2/97f/2

FOR SALE BY OWNER: Five acres on "Holy Water" AuSable, 1500 sq. ft. log cabin four season (house), full walkout basement, historical, excellent condition. All new utilities. Recreation or retirement: very special. For appointment or detailed information, call day 517-799-6790; Eve 517-793-4932. -4/11-18-25/2

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THREE BEDROOM 1 1/2 BATH. eight year old home. Natural gas, hot water heat, 24x32 garage plus 12x32 pole barn, one acre fenced yard. Move in condition. \$58,000 possible financing assistance 517-348-4443. -4/11/2

FOR SALE BY BUILDER: Jones Lake Rd. Three-four bedrooms, attached garage, quality construction, 1,520 square ft., \$112,000. Call Dave Wyman 517-348-8568. 9/8/97f/2

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2. For Rent

NEAT AND WELL maintained two bedroom lower apartment at 401 Ingham \$425. 14 X 70 Mobile home close to town, natural gas, cable TV. Starting at \$450, sect. 8 acceptable, single person and senior citizen discount on the above. Call Ron 348-6761. 8/28/97f/2

ROOM FOR RENT: \$250 a month, shared utilities, full house privileges. Call Larry 348-3297. -21-24-4-11/2

FOR RENT: 3108 Margrethe. Two bedroom cabin near Lake Margrethe, well lighted, \$375 month, \$300 notice deposit, utilities not included, no pets. Phone Guy 348-5988.

HOUSE FOR RENT five bedroom, two baths, attached garage, laundry facilities, very nice. \$650 a month. 517-886-3996. -28-4/2

FOR RENT: Two bedroom house on Stephan Bridge Rd. \$400 a month plus security. 348-8541. -28-4/2

FOR RENT: Clean trailer, two bedroom, natural gas, cable available. \$340 a month call 348-7893. -28-4/2

WORKING IN THE AREA? Need temporary housing? Kitchenettes available. North Country Lodge 517-348-8471. -21-28-4-11/2

CARPETED ROOMS WITH COOKING Weekly, monthly. Spruce Motor Lodge, downtown Roscommon. 9/12/96f/2

CABIN FOR RENT: on the river. Nightly or weekly. 517-348-8350. 9/9/97f/2

FOR RENT: Newer three bedroom ranch, attached garage. Sherwood Forest. Available October first. \$625 a month plus security deposit, no inside pets. 348-6779. -4/2

2. For Rent

WANTED: HOUSECLEANER MUST be dependable and honest. Send resume to P.O. Box 490 Grayling Att: C.S. -11/3

IN GRAYLING NOW AVAILABLE: Two bedroom, two bath, three story town house, private deck, garage, storage, washer, dryer, central air. No pets or smoking please \$595 year lease. 906-632-1345. -11-18-25/2

FOR RENT: 3108 Margrethe. Two bedroom cabin near Lake Margrethe, well lighted, \$375 month, \$300 notice deposit, utilities not included, no pets. Phone Guy 348-5988.

BEDROOM FOR RENT in the quiet comfort of a ranch style home overlooking the AuSable River. \$350 a month includes, phone, cable T.V., laundry, library, sauna and more. 348-2083. -21-28/3

\$1000'S POSSIBLE TYPING part time at home. Toll free (1)800-218-9000 Ext. T-8887 for listings. -11-18-25/2/3

PART TIME DIETARY, HOUSEKEEPING and laundry positions available. Apply in person at the Meadows of Grayling. Monday-Friday. -11-18-25/3

TENDERCARE GAYLORD HAS AN opening on our Ventilator Dependant Unit for a Unit Coordinator. The qualified applicant for this challenging opportunity must be a currently licensed RN with previous management and respiratory care experience preferred. Interested persons should call Constance Nowka, RNC, Administrator, for an interview appointment at Tendercare Gaylord, 508 Random Lane, Gaylord, MI 49735. Phone 517-732-3508. EOE. -11-18-25/3

3. Employment

HELP WANTED

The Holiday Inn of Grayling is accepting applications for the maintenance department. applicants should have some knowledge of plumbing and electrical work. We offer good wages and excellent benefits. Please apply at the front desk.

Holiday Inn
2650 S. I-75 Bus. Loop
Grayling, MI 49738

NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION

POSTING DATE: September 11, 1997.
POSITION: Grayling High School Custodian.

DESCRIPTION: This individual provides students with a safe, attractive, comfortable, clean and efficient place for students and the community.

WORK YEAR: 260 days per year, 3:30 pm to 12 am.

QUALIFICATIONS: High school diploma, ability to foster positive personal relationships with others. Criteria used to select the successful applicant shall include the applicant's training, experience, work record, apparent attitude and neatness of appearance. Ability to pass the MEAP test.

SALARY: According to Contract.

CONTACT: Kent S. Reynolds, Superintendent, Crawford AuSable School District, 403 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

DEADLINE: September 16, 1997

Crawford AuSable School District
Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Statement

-11-18-25/3

NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION

POSTING DATE: September 8, 1997.
POSITION: High School Fall Play Director.

DESCRIPTION: Play Director will report directly to the building principal. The director will be responsible for the selection, casting, rehearsals and all phases of the production of the fall play. Additional duties include advertising, public relations and financial responsibilities of the production. A fall (Nov. 20, 21 and 22) play will be produced at the high school.

SALARY: According to the terms of the Master Agreement.

CONTACT: Kent S. Reynolds, Superintendent, Crawford AuSable School District, 403 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

DEADLINE: 4 pm, September 24, 1997

Crawford AuSable School District
Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Statement

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Workforce Development Board of Northeast Michigan Consortium has prepared the final School-to-Work plan for program year 1997-1998.

Total School-to-Work program funds planned for PY97: \$243,991

A copy of the Plan is available at Northeast Michigan Consortium, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, Michigan 49765. In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), the information contained in this public notice will be made available in alternative format (large type, audio tape, etc.) upon special request. Please address questions or comments to Terry L. Basel, Program Coordinator.

An Equal Opportunity Program/Employer. Auxiliary aids and services will be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Michigan Relay Center 1-800-649-3777 (voice & TDD).

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1. Real Estate

EXCELLENT LOCATION Very close to town. Large ranch home offering a full, finished basement with 2-3 additional bedrooms downstairs. New vinyl siding, remodeled kitchen and bathroom, large fenced yard and large wood deck. Just listed at \$107,800. #4169

11.7 ACRES OF BEAUTIFUL HARDWOODS within walking distance to Cub and Bear Lakes. Also includes a meticulously kept mobile home with 2 large additions, shingled pitched roof, covered porch and more. Just listed. \$50,000. #4154

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NEW LISTING Affordable cottage with 168 frontage on AuSable River. This cottage has three bedrooms and beautiful views of the river. Beautiful oak, birch, pine and high-bank frontage with 2.2 acres. Close to Grayling! \$57,000. BSO-653

215' OF FRONTAGE ON THE AUASABLE RIVER Three-bedroom half-low west and north of Grayling on Wendy Lane. Covered porch 7x45 feet, great room 22x26 feet for living, dining and kitchen. Drywall is not finished, needs carpeting and kitchen cabinets. \$91,000. JG-626

NEW LISTING 705 Maple Street. Nice three-bedroom, one-bath home in the city. 1,236 sq. ft. basement. Natural gas forced-air heat, New paint on exterior. Close to schools, shopping and churches. \$47,500. JG-636

THE CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE
Information based on Milltown Title & Escrow Real Estate Report (Warranty Deeds and Land Contract Recorded Between 1/1, 1995 and 12/31, 1996 Crawford County Records.)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREAT LAKES PROPERTY RIGHTS LEAGUE Crawford County property rights advocates will hold an organizational meeting for a Crawford County chapter of the Great Lakes Property Rights League at the American Legion Building in Grayling at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, September 17, 1997. The Great Lakes Property Rights League is a nonprofit association of persons committed to the defense of private property rights guaranteed by the United States and Michigan Constitutions. Founded in 1994, the League has taken an active role in defending property rights threatened by unconstitutional federal, state and local regulation. It has been particularly prominent in opposing property taking under the guise of wetlands' regulation. The League has also assisted local citizens in bringing prosecutions against a township tax assessor on trespassing charges and in initiating the recall of township officials who refused to replace an assessor engaged in activities infringing property rights. The Great Lakes Property Rights League monitors federal, state and local legislation with consequences for the exercise of private property rights and brings public attention to cases of government infringement of property rights. The Crawford County chapter will focus particularly on actions of county and township governments as they affect property owners. Thus, members of the local chapter will benefit from the League's attention to national and state issues and the county chapter's attention to local issues. The organizational meeting will be addressed by League president Stephen P. Dresch, of Hancock, and will receive reports by members of the local organizing committee on immediate issues of local concern. Contact: George Emerson (348-8131), Joseph Callewaert (348-2148) or Gail Smith (348-6115). Great Lakes Property Rights League, P.O. Box 653, Baraga, MI 49908. Stephen P. Dresch, President, 318 Cooper Avenue, Hancock, MI 49930. Tel./Fax (960)482-4899. E-mail: sdresch@up.net Internet: http://dresch_jheon.simplenet.com

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

2ND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR October 18th at Senior Citizen Center, 308 Lawndale, Grayling. Bake sale and refreshments. Tables still available. For more information call 348-7123, ask for Jan Farley.
-11/8

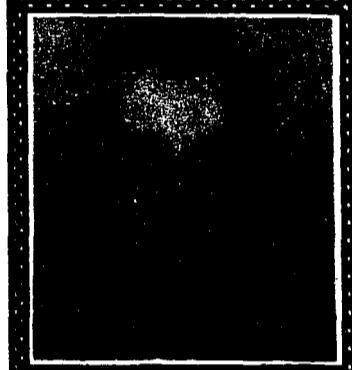
J. DAP CO. PRESENTS Yankee Candle of the month. Each month a different candle fragrance will be featured. September's fragrance is the new Macintosh Apple and October's fragrance will be Spiced Pumpkin. Come in and join our Yankee Candle club. J. Dap Co is located at 118 Michigan Ave. Stop by soon.
-11/8

Bible Study Group to meet

A Bible Study Group for college and career age will take place on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm. Interested persons can call Dena at 348-5111 or 348-4197.
-11/18

9. PERSONALS

You can't be 50, Mom's only 39!



One of our town's finest turns "40" on Sept. 13

Happy Birthday Art Clough!

NOTICE

The Grayling Housing Commission's regular monthly meetings will now be held on the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be September 9th, at 6:30 pm.

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9. PERSONALS

In Memory of Tony Doremire Happy Birthday, Smokey Jo, 9/11/97

Dear Uncle Tony,
How is heaven? I'm doing good in school.
I got all A's & B's on my report card!!
that is very cool. Here is my
finger print!

And my hand print

I am 9 years old.
I weight 60 pounds,
I am in 4th grade.
To bad your not here!! I really miss you
a lot too.
My house bernt down. My mom had
twins!!

Geo Tom-Jo Troy George Jason
Shania Tammy Sue Maggie

10. GARAGE SALES

GARAGE SALE 505 Iaenauer Rd. Friday, Sept. 12, 9 - 6.
-11/10

FRONT PORCH SALE - Rain or shine! Three tables of girls clothing, size newborn to 7, washer, dryer, homecoming dresses, exercise machine, saddle, bridle, Avon, wine bottles and much more! 4527 C.R. 612, 9 to 5, Saturday.
-11/10

10. GARAGE SALES

YARD SALE Sept. 12th & 13th, 10 - 4. Abundant Life Tabernacle, 211 Shellenbarger.
-11/10

MOVING SALE: Some furniture, misc. dishes and housewares. Sat. Sept. 13th, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. 10097 Wehnes Rd., 3/10 mile from corner of E-M-72 and McMasters Br. Rd.
-11/10

9. PERSONALS

Puppy Power "In A Jar" Happy 40th Art



Jeff & Becky, Mark & Sue, Russ & Tina, Steve & Ruth and the Kids!

Custom Rubber Stamps Available at the AVALANCHE

10. GARAGE SALES

THREE FAMILY GARAGE SALE - Used Kenmore washing machine, Ozone generator for spa, office desk, chair and supplies, craft items, home decorating items, clothes: girls newborn to 18 months, boys sizes 2 to 7, ladies, 10 to 14, formal for homecoming sizes 10 to 18. Fri., Sept. 12, Sat., Sept. 13, 9:30 to 6. 60 Beauty Dr. (Roberts Rd. right on Warner, to end of road).
-11/10

SEPT 13, 9 - 5 Garage sale, rain or shine. Collection of misc. things. Some small some big. All very reasonable. 306 Arthur St.
-11/10

AUCTION - Michelson United Methodist Church, Sunday, Sept. 14 at noon. AuSable Primary School following worship. Public welcome. Items for everyone - lunch available. Proceeds for new building addition. Follow signs.
-11/10

FRI. 12, SAT. 13 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. End of Gilbert Trail off 6 Mile. Antique stove, wood stove, baby stuff, furniture.
-11/10

GARAGE SALE - Friday - Saturday, Sept. 12 & 13, 9 - 3. Five miles east of Grayling on M-72. Lots of stuff!
-11/10

CRAFT SHOW - October 4 at American Legion Hall on James St., 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Refreshments available. Table rental \$10. Contact Lou-Anne Crosby (348-8186) or Alice Cragg (348-7248) for table reservations. Sponsored by Carl W. Borchers VFW Ladies Auxiliary 3736.
-11/18-24/10

GARAGE SALE - Sept. 12, 13, 14, Fri., Sat., Sun., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Many items such as: snowmobile suits, mattresses, adult clothes and shoes, bunk bed frame, shot gun shells, 410 shot gun, 16 ga. shot gun, 303 Britisher rifle, hockey skates, canvas tent- good, three gun racks, many more items. Sale is east of Grayling on East 72 to Stephan Bridge Rd. Turn north approx 1/2 mile to Acklin Lane, turn right about 500 ft. to two-story house. Will have signs at Stephan Bridge Rd. and Acklin Lane.
-11/10

HUGE MOVING SALE One day only, Sat. 13th, 8 until ? North of high school. Turn right at Happy Days sign left, follow signs.
-11/10

702 MICHIGAN AVE. Sept. 13th, 8 - 4. Man's sale w/h furnace, shelving, tools and much more.
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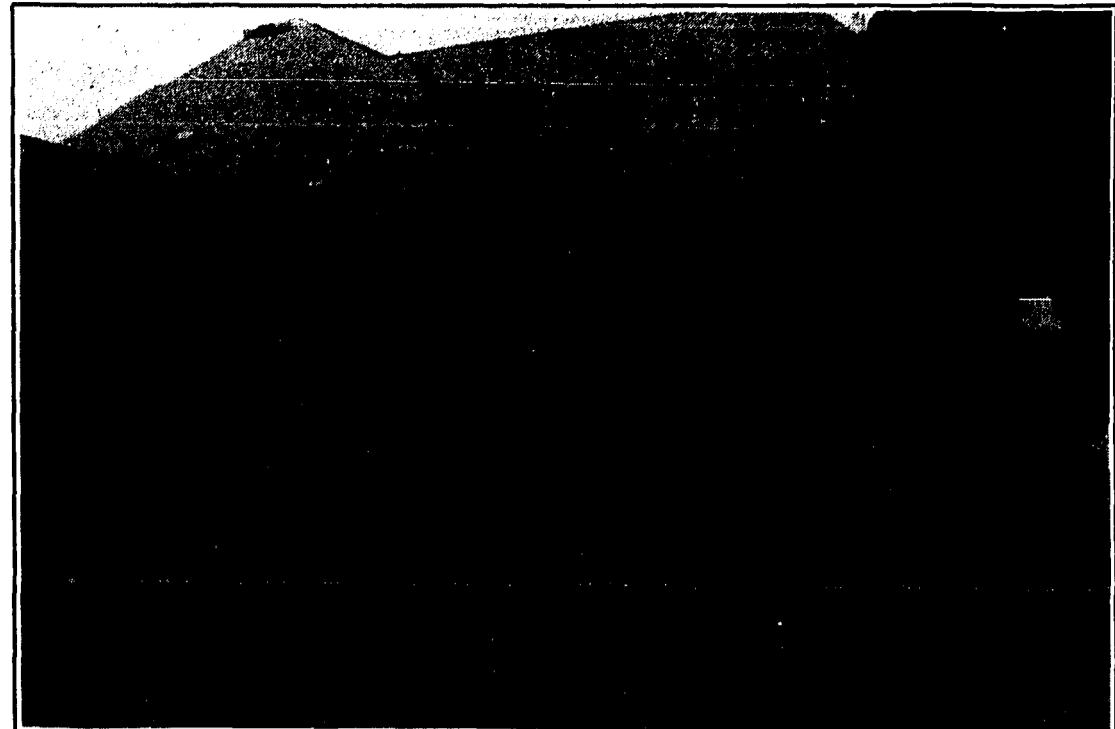
ST. FRANCIS THRIFT SHOP

6445 West M-72
Grayling, Michigan 49738

We are pleased to announce the Thrift Shop is now open for business six days a week

Monday, 1 to 7 pm
Tuesday - Saturday
10 am to 4 pm

9. PERSONALS



CHURCH EXPANSION — Michelson Memorial United Methodist continues its expansion. The work continues to be done on the new addition to the structure. The Church also is planning its annual Harvest Dinner. The dinner will be on Sept. 25 from 5-7 p.m.

HOMETOWN NEWS

Jeff and Angie Welch announce the birth of their new son, Jacob Evan Welch. Jacob was born on Sept. 3, 1997 at Mid-Michigan Regional Medical Center in Midland.

He weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20 and three-quarter inches long. Grandparents are John and Nancy Webster and Susan Batesson of Grayling, Jack and Kathleen Welch of Broken Arrow, Okla., and John and Chris Noteware of Davison.

11. AUTOMOTIVE

1993 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE 95,000 miles, new brakes, NADA value \$17,000, asking \$13,000. OBO. 348-1908.
-11/18/11

'84 DODGE 600 4 CL. Good, dependable. Need \$800. ASAP. For appt. 344-2010.
-11/11

1994 DODGE DODGE DAYTONA must sell. Asking \$5,000, OBO. Bluebook value, \$7,000. New brakes, sunroof. 348-1908.
-11/18/11

'91 CHEVY LUMINA EURO 3.1 V-6, auto, clean car, no rust, highway miles, runs good. 517 348-8035 or may be seen at Wolohan Lumber - Grayling (most evenings), \$3,300.
-11/11

FOR SALE: 1992 DELTA 88 Royal Excellent condition. All power equipped. One owner. Best offer. Call 348-7766.
-11/11

MUST SELL 1995 Mitsubishi Galant silver metallic, four door, five speed, AM/FM cassette, 43,000 highway miles, very sharp. \$12,000 or willing to bargain price. 348-7714 after 6 p.m.
-11/11

87 CHEVY CAPRICE station wagon. New tires, brakes and muffler. 348-2344.
-9/7/97tf/11

1985 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX full-power, very dependable transportation, great engine, body needs work, \$800. 348-1049.
4/10/97tf/11

1984 FORD RANGER 2-wheel drive, excellent condition, no rust, 46,000 original miles. Includes cap and running boards. \$3,000 O.B.O. Call Steve @ 348-2299 after 5:30 pm.
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1981 JEEP WAGONEER 4WD, plow, low miles, good condition inside and out. \$2,800, OBO. 348-1107.
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